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## WEATHER

Windy, Breezy tonight, low around 20. Wednesday's high in the 20s.

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High, 45, at 6 p.m.; Low, 27, at 9 a.m.

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## Extortion-Death Plot Suspect Grabbed

By SCOTT WILLIAMSON  
Staff Writer

### Wealthy Nashville Man, Wife Said Targets Of Scheme Here

A 32-year old Sodas township man was arrested this morning on charges that he allegedly hired another man to kill the former owner of the Photo Hut film processing chain.

Charged with two counts of plotting to commit murder in

the first degree was James E. Robertson, of Watson road, Sodas. Berrien Prosecutor John Smetanka said Robertson was arrested by officers from four law enforcement agencies about 8:30 a.m. as he was allegedly

preparing to leave the area for Nashville, Tenn.

Smetanka said the arrest capped a two-month investigation of an alleged plot in which wealthy Nashville businessman Frank Van Lear and his wife we

to be extorted for some \$600,000 and then murdered.

Smetanka said Van Lear lived in South Bend when he owned the Photo Hut chain, but has since sold the business and moved to Nashville. Robertson

worked for Van Lear at one time as a salesman, Smetanka said.

The prosecutor said investigators received cooperation from Joseph Flory, of Sister Lakes, who was allegedly solicited to be the "hit man."

Smetanka said Flory will not be charged in connection with the case. He added that Flory was allegedly to receive at least \$200,000 for murdering the couple.

Smetanka praised the work

of the Berrien county Metro Crime-Narcotics unit, Michigan State police, FBI and investigators from his office and the co-operative efforts of the several investigators working on the case.

Robertson was scheduled to be arraigned in Berrien District court today.



JAMES E. ROBERTSON  
Accused of plot

## Jetliner 'Almost' Makes It; 67 Die!

NEW HOPE, Ga. (AP) — Through lightning and hail the pilot of the crippled DC-9, its windshield shattered and both engines dead, spotted a winding country road and fought desperately to save 85 lives. He almost made it.

But at least 67 persons on the plane and in its path died Mon-

day when Southern Airways Flight 242, bound for Atlanta from Huntsville, Ala., hit trees, cars and a grocery store before it exploded and burned in the woods of this small Georgia town about 35 miles northwest of Atlanta.

A Southern spokesman said today the airline had confirmed

59 deaths among the passengers and 26 survivors. He said an area funeral home reported eight persons killed on the ground.

Federal safety investigators began examining the wreckage early today. They said they hoped to determine the cause of the crash from tapes of the

pilot's last conversation with the Atlanta control tower. They also planned to use a voice recorder which taped the last 30 minutes of cockpit conversation and a flight data recorder which were recovered intact from the debris.

Authorities said the dead included both flight officers:

Capt. William McKenzie, 54, of La Place, La., and First Officer Lyman Keele, 34, of College Park, Ga.

Officials planned to release a complete list of the casualties after notifying relatives.

The store owners, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newman, survived, but flying debris killed their daughter and two grandchildren, who were outside the store, a spokesman for the Paulding County sheriff's office said.

Some of the wreckage hit a woman standing in a nearby yard, killing her instantly, an eyewitness said.

The plane had barely cleared an elementary school, where classes had been dismissed a half hour before the crash.

A survivor said the 81 passengers and four crew members were told they were going to crash about four minutes before the plane struck.

"It was an apparently severe thunderstorm ... The hail really got bad ... Lightning struck the left wing tip ... I believe the hail being ingested in the engine is what really brought it down," said Don Foster, a licensed pilot from Decatur, Ala., a passenger.

About 30 miles northwest of the crash site, one person was killed Monday when a tornado ripped through a trailer park. At least a dozen tornadoes were sighted Monday in the Southeast, part of a storm that also brought torrential rains and flash floods to many sections.

"It exploded, just like a ball of fire went into the air," said Steve Jones, who saw the crash. "It was total destruction, nothing less."

A spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration in Atlanta said the pilot reported both engines had "flamed out" — lost power — and that the windshield had cracked. He was told to try a landing at Dobbins Air Force Base in Marietta.

He crashed 15 miles short of the base after radioing he was unable to make it at about 4:15 p.m. EST, the spokesman said.

The pilot almost reached a rural highway, said auto mechanic Jimmy Whitely, "but the road curves and it's too damn narrow anyway."

Foster, hospitalized in nearby Cartersville, said the plane "glided kind of straight with a few turns."

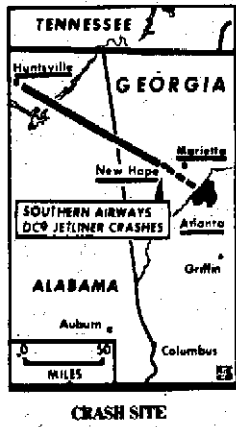
"Apparently, they saw this paved road and they realized ... they weren't going any further than that," he said. "So they made a steep turn and tried to get it into that road and they

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MORNING AFTER: Wreckage of a Southern Airlines DC-9 is scattered in the residential area of New Hope, Ga., north of Atlanta, this morning after a Monday

evening crash. More than 60 people were killed in the crash. (AP Wirephoto)



## Benton Pastor Escapes Tornado

By MIKE WYNGARDEN  
Staff Writer

A Benton township clergyman was driving home from a church meeting in Lansing when he found himself in the midst of one of a series of tornadoes that struck Kalamazoo and Eaton counties Saturday afternoon.

Rev. C. William Pearson, pastor of St. Mark Lutheran church, said he and a passenger, the wife of Rev. William Heil of Battle Creek, were traveling home on I-40 south of Charlotte when the tornado forced them off the road.

Although the only death from the rash of tornadoes Saturday

occurred in a car only a few hundred yards ahead of them, Rev. Pearson and Mrs. Heil escaped with minor scratches.

However, Rev. Pearson said damage to his Volkswagen van they were riding in has been estimated at \$1,000 with all the windows blown out and several dents from debris blowing with the tornado.

"We were extremely fortunate," Rev. Pearson said. "We didn't have the radio on and weren't aware that there were tornado warnings on."

The high winds from the tornado were so strong that they forced the van into a ditch and blew out the windows "embed-

ding glass into the interior of the car." The two minor scratches from the flying glass, Rev. Pearson said.

"It all happened so quickly we didn't have time to think about it," Rev. Pearson said. "It was raining at the time the tornado struck and I thought tornadoes never traveled in a rainstorm. But by the time we got out of the car, only a few seconds later, the sky was blue and the sun was shining."

Rev. Pearson, of 382 Elvorn drive, said rescue workers were already at the scene three cars ahead of him where a five-year-old Flint boy, Jason McKenzie, was killed when the

car he was a passenger in was blown into a tree by the tornado. The boy's father, Gary McKenzie Sr., and a younger brother were in serious condition in a Kalamazoo hospital Monday.

More than 100 people lost their homes and 44 were injured in the series of tornadoes.



DAMAGED BY TORNADO: Rev. C. William Pearson, pastor of St. Mark Lutheran church in Benton township, surveys estimated \$1,000 damage to his van when it was caught in tornado Saturday

south of Charlotte. Rev. Pearson and a passenger escaped with scratches. (Staff photo)



CRASH VICTIM: Passenger from DC-9 that crashed 35 miles northwest of Atlanta, Ga., is wheeled into hospital emergency room Monday. (AP Wirephoto)

## Police Probe Death Of 3-Year-Old Boy

Benton Harbor police were investigating the death of a 3-year-old boy who reportedly fell down a flight of stairs early today in the apartment building where he lived, according to Det. Sgt. Sam Watson.

Tommy Hollis, son of Victoria

Hollis, 29, of 708 PaYone street, was pronounced dead at 3 a.m. today at Mercy hospital, hospital officials reported.

Watson said Tommy was taken to the hospital by his mother in the car of an unidentified friend.

Police said Victoria Hollis told them she heard Tommy fall about 2 a.m. and found him with bruises to his face and back, but he appeared to be alright otherwise. She said Tommy was taken to the hospital when he suddenly stopped breathing.

## Carter Revamping Food Stamp Plan

By BRIAN B. KING  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter today asked Congress to hold food stamp benefits at their current levels for most persons who get them but to stop making recipients pay for part of the aid.

He promises to veto any revamping of the program that increases its current projected budget of between \$5.4 billion and \$5.6 billion, Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland told the House Agriculture Committee.

The two-year Carter proposal would:

- Disqualify about 600,000 of the 5.4 million families now receiving the monthly boost in their grocery-buying power. All are among the 13 per cent of the caseload with incomes above the official poverty lines.

- Cut benefits to about 1.56 million families by more than \$5 a month.

- Maintain the benefits for the remaining 3.28 million families near current levels or

increase them by slightly more than \$5 a month.

—Bring into the program about 880,000 households which now don't have the cash to buy the stamps. They are mostly elderly, disabled or on welfare in states with low assistance levels.

The current program's authorizing legislation expires Sept. 30.

Bergland said the elimination of the rule that eligible families pay for the stamps also would combat fraud by taking out of

circulation \$3 billion in coupons that the poor have paid for.

Many of the 15,000 private vendors who sell the stamps under contract with USDA would become obsolete as well, he said, saving \$25 million to \$30 million in monitoring and paperwork costs for both federal and state governments.

Eliminating the cash purchase system would bring \$80,000 more households into the program and thus add \$320

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## EDITORIAL PAGE

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Were it left to me to decide whether we should have government without newspapers or newspapers without government, I should not hesitate to prefer the latter. — Thomas Jefferson.

## Unilateral Embargoes Of The World's Oceans

Freedom of the seas has been the keystone of international law dating back to when the ancient Phoenicians explored the Mediterranean and the Atlantic's eastern shoreline.

As codified in the 17th century by the Dutch scholar, Hugo Grotius, and put into effect by the British navy in the following century, a vessel could traverse the world's maritime waters at will, subject only to an offshore sovereignty asserted by a country bordering on a navigable body of water.

The English defined this territorial extent as three miles, the ultimate range of the farthest shooting land-based cannon then in existence.

This concept included a commercial right of ownership outside the territorial limit, meaning that a ship's crew could plumb the depths for any subsurface animal or mineral materials.

Until economic conditions changed substantially after World War II and exploration for oil and other minerals began to disclose the wealth in Davy Jones' locker, the three-mile limit remained an inviolate doctrine.

Today the oceanic borders vary so greatly that the Law of Sea Conference is in its third session trying to establish a uniform limit.

Canada, the Soviet Union, the European Economic Community and many Latin American countries

## Although Small, Dip In Crime Is Encouraging

So many variables go into crime statistics compiled by the FBI from law enforcement agencies — including an estimated large number of crimes in certain categories which go unreported — that it is not wise to base judgment on short-term statistical trends.

Nevertheless, the 4th quarter 1976 FBI report, showing a 6 per cent drop in serious crimes, is the first such decline indicated in four years. That has to rank at least as an improvement.

Adding confidence to the 4th quarter trend is the fact declines in reported crimes were noted in a broad field of crime categories. Violent crimes for the year showed a drop of 5 per cent, the first annual decline in the 17 years the FBI has been collecting comparable crime data.

Law enforcement has a long way to go to bring crime down to size. The 1976 report provides an incentive to try harder. As for the reasons behind last year's performance, law enforcement agencies differ. But one interesting opinion from the Center for Studies in Criminology and Criminal Law at the University of Pennsylvania attributes it to shrinkage of the high crime age group (14 to 21-year-olds).

adopted a 200-mile limit for fishing some years ago.

Last month one of the more obscure Washington agencies, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, adopted the same barrier for the U.S.

The action followed in response to complaints from American commercial fishermen that the automated factory ships floated by the Japanese and Russians are fishing American waters of their bounty faster than its finny denizens can replenish themselves.

The regulations require foreign ships to obtain fishing permits which can run up to \$5,000 and limit their catches to a portion of the optimum yield left after American fishermen fill their quotas.

Assuming the Navy and Coast Guard apply their enforcement responsibility to the hilt, it means some changes for the better and others which may be of less predictable effect.

Last year it is estimated U.S. fishermen hauled in about 4 billion pounds of fish from the 200-mile zone. Foreign vessels took 6 to 7 billion pounds.

The regulations should reduce the foreign catch to the American total. This is a desirable conservation approach.

It may, though, add a point or so to the Cost of Living Index. In 1976, 46 per cent of all fish imported into the U.S. came from the foreign boats plying the 200-mile area.

Not all American fishermen are totally happy with NOAA's edicts.

Tuna fishermen follow the porpoises and dolphins who feed on the tuna.

The netting of the tuna exerts a high fatality rate on the ocean's most beloved mammals.

Two years ago 100,000 dolphins and porpoises were killed. This dropped to 78,000 last year.

The 1977 limit has been put at 59,000.

Many tuna fleet operators claim this merciful measure will send them to the welfare office.

Indirectly, though far from effectively, the new regulations may cut down on the depopulation of whales by Japanese and Russian floating blubber factories.

While the international food problem has put the fishing dispute in the forefront, the undersea search for petroleum and minerals presents an equally thorny question for the Sea Conference.

That problem remains relatively quiet only because the technology for underwater recovery is expensive and limited in scope.

A ship's capability to fish stops when its draft scrapes bottom.

Putting up an oil rig in waters hundreds of feet deep is something else.

Yet as this engineering capability improves, the urge to equate mineral rights with fishing prerogatives will strengthen.

The question should be settled by international resolution.

Until this political knot can be tied, unilateral action remains the only and uncertain solution.

## Solving The Bermuda Triangle

Once again a joint scientific expedition — this one composed of Soviet and American ships — is planning to study the mystery of the Bermuda triangle. For years that section of the Atlantic Ocean has provided a number of mysterious disappearances of ships and planes.

This time, however, both American and Soviet scientists report sighting what are described as huge whirlpools, or as Soviet oceanographers described them, "powerful whirl formations reaching the size of hundreds of kilometers and resembling the cyclones in the terrestrial atmosphere."

A concentrated study of these phenomena, possibly caused by the swift Gulfstream, could begin to put legend into a more realistic perspective.

## Our Worry Beads!



## EDITOR'S MAILBAG

### WANTS RETIREES' TAX EXEMPTION

Editor,

A great injustice exists in our state which needs the cooperation of all of us to be corrected. That is the inhumane real estate tax burden placed on retired homeowners.

Although the state refunds some of the tax to those who qualify under the Homestead Act, the homeowners are required to pay the tax first then wait for the state to refund it. In my opinion, persons who have paid real estate taxes for many years shouldn't have to pay any real estate tax on the home they live in provided that home is not income-producing. All of us are aware that retirees who are living on social security payments and a small pension are hurt very badly by inflation and high prices. Since most retirees have

their homes paid for their greatest fear is inability to pay real estate taxes and the alternative is to lose their home.

Likewise, it is unfair that school financing has forced retired homeowners to shoulder more than their share of the burden of educating children. I have paid taxes on my home since the year 1917 and am still struggling to carry this burden. Under our present system, even if a person would live to be 150 years old, he or she would still have to pay hundreds of dollars real estate taxes yearly. Is it impossible for the state to grant this group real estate tax exemptions after age 65? Of course not. Giving the retirees freedom from real estate taxation would be a far greater boost to the economy than a \$50 I.R.S. rebate.

And, in addition to real estate tax exemption for retirees, there should be an energy as-

sistance. Lower rates for retirees would enable them to pay heat and light bills on their reduced income. One reason many elderly citizens are so furious about welfare is because many persons on welfare do not pay real estate taxes to provide schooling for their children. Retirees feel the larger families some welfare wives produce, the more real estate they must pay. And there are a lot of people that are on welfare that fare better than us retirees living on social security.

Harold Sellers  
Watervliet

### TELLS HER SIDE OF COMPENSATION

Editor,

I read with interest the article on Workman's Compensation ripoffs charged. On the other side, I believe you will find a few employees who have been forced to retire without benefits.

I, for one, started having trouble using my arm in 1965, after lifting large bulky cartons over my head. I was doing fine up to that time. I went to first aid and told the nurse but she did not send me to the doctor. I also told my boss and he told me to lay down as long as I wished. I did not press the matter thinking it would go away with more work. I finally became so sick I had to go to the doctor and later quit. In 1973, I was given a small settlement. I say small because of the length of my disability and the pain I have suffered.

I invite Mr. MacIntyre out to go through my files and do a story on how some do not get Workman's Compensation although they are eligible. It would be nice if employers would take the same care of their employees as the big ball clubs do.

Mrs. Mildred Craig  
484 West Glenford road  
St. Joseph

## Do You REMEMBER?

### — 16 Years Ago —

Her radiant shining through tears of happiness, Gale Strieter was crowned Miss Benton Harbor of 1967 Tuesday night in the high school auditorium. First runner-up was Richonda Sech. Richonda is a cousin of Sandy Letke, Miss St. Joseph of 1967. Double honors went to second runner-up, Mary Jane Gobel, who was also chosen Miss Congeniality by her fellow contestants. All three girls are seniors at Benton Harbor high school.

### — 25 Years Ago —

Benton Harbor junior high school had an old fashioned spelling bee this week with 20 ninth graders competing for honors. It was the school's annual contest for this grade and Helene Salmon emerged first place winner to receive a gold medal furnished by the G.&C. Merriam Co. Second best speller in the contest was Sybil Radke. Wanda Stowe and Grace Theede tied for third place.

### — 34 Years Ago —

The Hoover uniform traffic ordinance was approved by the Benton Harbor city commission yesterday afternoon. Action on adopting the ordinance, however, was held up until next Monday, pending changes in purely local regulations. The chief change in the ordinance is allowing a right hand turn against the red light of the automatic traffic signals. The car must be brought to a complete stop before making the turn, and must not cross through pedestrian traffic having the right of way.

Clarence O. Brown and Edward E. Lerch were elected city commissioners by the voters of Benton Harbor Monday.

### — 75 Years Ago —

During the past six weeks the wholesale prices of beef, pork and mutton have been making steady advances until the dealers throughout the state are selling meats at less than cost.

## Berry's World



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## Martha Angle Robert Walters

## There's One In Every Crowd

WASHINGTON — In every crowd, there are always a few who fail to get the message. And while slow learners abounded on Capitol Hill when Congress confronted the task of ethics reform, one senator surely deserves special recognition.

He is Democrat John Melcher of Montana, who served seven years in the House before moving up this year to the Senate seat vacated by retired Majority Leader Mike Mansfield.

Melcher was in a key position to influence the shape of the Senate's new ethics code since he served on the 15-member panel which drafted the package.

But as far as we can determine, his major contributions consisted of an up-front effort to loosen a ban on gifts of more than \$100 from those with a direct interest in federal legislation, plus a behind-the-scenes attempt to win a special exception from the ethics code that would permit him to keep his former campaign chairman on the public payroll at a part-time salary of \$28,000 per year.

He failed in both efforts, but not from lack of trying.

First, the gift issue. A key section of the new code prohibits senators from accepting, in a single year, anything with an aggregate value of more than \$100 from foreign nationals, lobbyists and people connected with political action committees (which contribute to campaigns).

On the final day of ethics committee deliberations, Melcher tried to get the annual limit raised to \$250. His argument: the \$100 limit would keep him from accepting free rides in Montana on corporate airplanes.

"I cannot travel in Montana in an airplane any distance at all for \$100," the senator complained. "I think it gets a little bit rigid, and a little bit asinine, to turn down what is convenient."

## Jeffrey Hunt

## Califano, Young ..Two Symbols

President Jimmy Carter's "town meeting" appearances in Clinton, Mass., and elsewhere have been a public relations smash hit, as was his "cardigan" fireside chat and his celebrated phone-in performance. The Pres is turning out to be a media sensation.

I, however, would like to offer a couple of other symbols of the Carter Administration.

First, Joseph Califano at HEW — affluent, limousine liberal, buser, and ethnic quota manipulator.

Second, U.N. Ambassador Andrew Young, busy consolidating a small personal empire at the State Department, but in the meanwhile playing the crudest kind of racial politics, doubtless with an eye on the Senate seat now occupied by the aging Jacob Javits of New York.

While the Republicans were in the White House, Califano pulled in an annual income of \$500,000 as a Washington lawyer.

Califano is not a rock star, not even a spectacular courtroom performer like F. Lee Bailey. For what unique services was Califano worth half a million? Clearly because he knew his way around the Washington power establishment.

Transplanted by Carter to HEW, Califano immediately added a \$12,763-a-year personal chef to the public payroll. Plus a former LBJ bodyguard, at \$44,000, duties obscure. Whatever else Califano has in mind to do about welfare, he certainly is taking care of his own.

From this luxurious eminence, moreover, Califano has brazenly informed middle Americans that they are second-class citizens. He has come out forthrightly in favor of quotas in jobs and education for the usual minority groups. According to Califano in a recent interview, "It is possible and necessary to endorse preferential hiring for jobs and admissions policies in higher education."

Melcher's amendment was rejected, 6-3, leaving the Montana senator in the same fix as other citizens — he'll have to pay for his air travel.

Then there was the senator's solicitude for his former campaign chairman, attorney J. F. Meglen of Billings, Mont., currently on the Senate payroll as a \$28,000 per year part-time aide in Melcher's state office.

As originally drafted, the ethics code would have prohibited Senate employees who are paid more than \$25,000 annually from receiving outside earned income in excess of 15 percent of their government salaries.

Clearly, this would have put quite a crimp in lawyer Meglen's private practice. So, Melcher, without mentioning one of his employees was affected, persuaded the committee to apply the outside earnings limit only to staff aides earning over \$35,000 per year.

After the committee completed work on the ethics code and sent the package to the full Senate, Melcher discovered other provisions that made it impossible for Meglen to remain on the public payroll at \$28,000 a year.

In particular, there was a section forbidding staff aides who earn more than \$25,000 annually from practicing law on the side.

Did Melcher tell Meglen he'd have to choose between his Senate job and his private practice? No indeed. Instead, according to our sources, the senator tried to pressure key committee staffers and members into changing the rules.

His plea fell on deaf ears. So Melcher and Meglen conferred and decided the Billings lawyer will simply take a slight reduction in Senate pay to get below the \$25,000 threshold, thus enabling him to retain both his government job and his private practice.

If he is backing policies of that sort, perhaps he does need the bodyguard.

President Carter claims to be listening to the people in Clinton, Mass., and at the other end of the telephone line. Bunk. The people are not demanding Califano's quotas. The people overwhelmingly reject them. Carter and his elitist social manipulators are listening to ideology, not the people.

Ambassador Young has been loudly demagoguing the difficult southern Africa issue, going so far as to tell the Washington Post recently that the U.S. would risk "civil war" if it openly supported the white minority regime in South Africa. With this and other statements, Young is engaging in a gross attempt to create a domestic U.S. pressure group based upon race — a black pressure group with Andrew Young as its symbol and spokesman.

With his "civil war" remark, Young implies that black citizens of the U.S. have more in common with Zulus, Xhosas, and whatnot in Africa than they do with their white fellow Americans — a gross insult to all concerned.

In employing these tactics, Young is increasing the chance of racial war in southern Africa and risking the increase of racial feeling in the U.S.

This gamy operation he carries out with the apparent approval of the White House.

Forget the cardigan sweater and phone-in. Califano and Young are much more important symbols of the Carter Administration.

## \$5 Million Fixup

WINDSOR, Ont., (CP) — Chrysler Canada Ltd. plans to spend more than \$5 million on a facility modification program for its Tecumseh Road truck plant, the company announced. The program is to be completed in early 1978.

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**AWARDS FOR GOOD HOUSEKEEPING:** Benton Harbor Mayor Joel Patterson Saturday presented trophies to eight residents who were judged by block clubs as making topnotch efforts to keep up their

homes. The awards were the first that will be presented monthly from now on, the mayor said. At end of year, a grand winner will be selected and plans are being made to award a vacation trip as top prize.

Patterson said he is denoting his pay as mayor to fund. From left: Patterson, Mrs. Vaughn Clement, First Ward; Archie Chambers, Second Ward; Mrs. William Barry, Third Ward; Mrs. Aldred Williams,

Fourth Ward; James Bennett, First Ward; Tom McMillion, Second Ward; Paul Smith receiving award for Jack Crows, Third Ward; and Mrs. Willie Watson, Fourth Ward. (Staff photo)

## St. Joseph Dropping Out Of Dial-A-Ride

The St. Joseph city commission last night voted to drop out of Dial-A-Ride bus system effective June 30. The action will leave Dial-Ride operating only in Benton Harbor and Benton township. It was also announced during the meeting that a sidewalk inspection and repair program will begin April 11 in the southern third of the city south of Kingsley and Wallace avenues and in the downtown business area.

City workers will inspect all existing public sidewalks in those areas and notify property owners whose sidewalks do not meet city standards. Property owners may have the needed repairs made or have the city contract to do it at the property owners' expense.

The move to drop out of Dial-A-Ride was recommended by City

Manager G.W. Hepler. He said he believes St. Joseph is assessed more than its fair share to subsidize the system which carries about 15,000 passengers overall each month. He said municipal contributions to Dial-A-Ride would be more fair if they were based on rider usage rather than population.

Of that amount Benton township was to have paid 41 per cent, Benton Harbor 35 per cent, and St. Joseph 24 per cent. In dollars, St. Joseph's share was to have been \$34,000. The fiscal year ends June 30.

A proposal to begin a usage formula July 1 was rejected by the Benton Harbor city commission in January. The proposal was favored by both the St. Joseph city commission and the Benton

township board. The unwillingness of Benton Harbor to change led Hepler to recommend withdrawal, he said. Under the present formula, about 40 per cent, or \$142,000, of Dial-A-Ride's annual income this fiscal year was to have come from municipal contributions assessed on the basis of population, Hepler said.

This year, federal Comprehensive Employment Training Act funds have been used to offset some of the municipal contributions, Hepler said. However, St. Joseph can't count on CETA funds in future years, he added. The St. Joseph contribution would drop to about \$23,000 annually if the assessment were made on the basis of ridership rather than population, Hepler said. According to a report from the Twin Cities Transportation authority, Benton

Harbor's contribution would jump from about \$50,000 to over \$72,000 if assessed by rider usage. Benton township's contribution is about \$38,000 by population and would be about \$47,000 by ridership.

Hepler said that under the Dial-A-Ride charter, participants must give at least 60 days notice when they withdraw. He said that between now and June 30, the city will seek alternate means of transportation, such as senior citizen center volunteers, for those St. Joseph residents who use Dial-A-Ride. After the meeting, Mayor Franklin Smith said he would not rule out the possibility

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## SJ Building Is Assured

Peoples Savings Association announced it has received state permission to establish a branch office at Main and Broad streets, St. Joseph, and will proceed with a new building.

Robert H. Durren, chairman and president of Peoples Savings, said notification of approval was received yesterday from the Financial Institutions Bureau of the Michigan Department of Commerce.

Durren said construction plans are being prepared by Daniels and Zermack Associates, architects of Ann Arbor, for presentation later this month to the St. Joseph city commission and planning commission for approval.

Construction is targeted to start in June with completion by the end of this year, Durren said.

The building will be in excess of 10,000 square feet and cost about \$400,000, excluding land costs, according to Durren.

The St. Joseph city commission on Dec. 20 approved sale to Peoples Savings of the former Citgo service station at Main and Broad, plus two vacant lots on Court street for a total of \$63,380.

The city had paid \$142,640 for the property and clearance of two houses on Court street. City Manager Gerald Hepler said it was all federal money except for \$13,500.

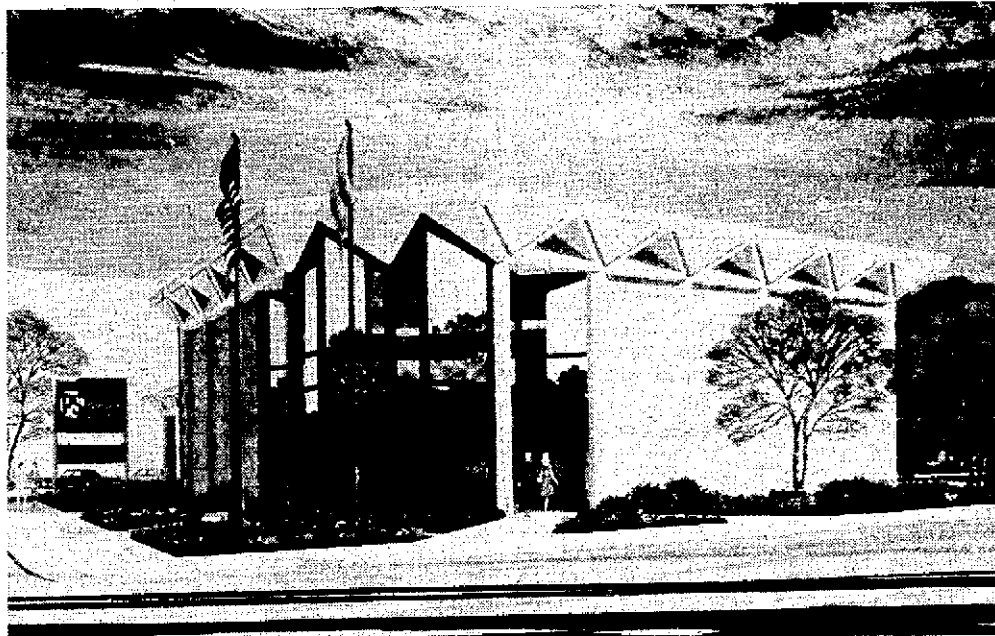
The sale price to Peoples Savings was at the rate of \$3 per square foot for the property at Broad and Main and \$2 per square foot for the land on Court street.

Peoples Savings made a \$6,300 deposit and the city commission imposed a time limit of 18 months to build an office.

Approval of the Financial Institutions Bureau was necessary before Peoples Savings may operate a branch on the site. Peoples Savings' application to the state was opposed by St. Joseph Savings and Loan Association, headquartered at 301 State street.

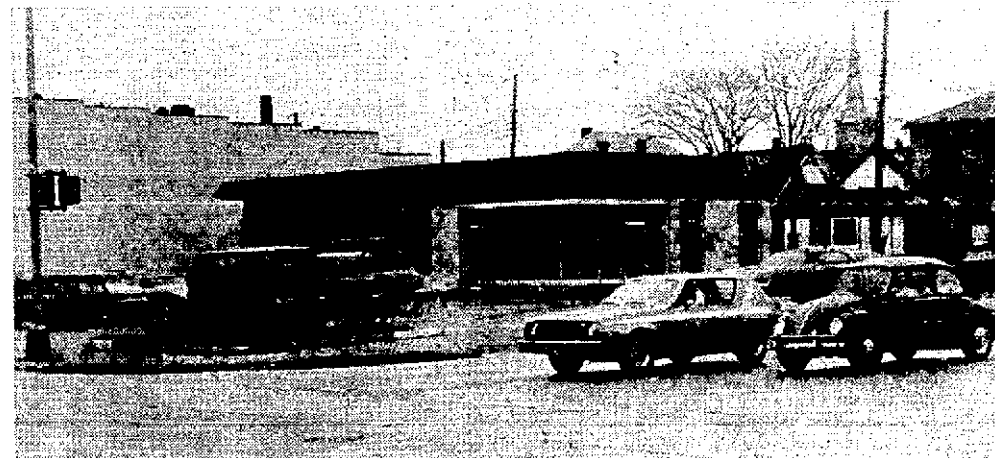
Durren said Peoples Savings new St. Joseph branch also will house administrative offices while the Benton Harbor office at 115 West Main street will continue to be the association's home or main office.

The downtown St. Joseph office will be the ninth for Peoples Savings.



**GREEN LIGHT FOR PEOPLES SAVINGS:** State approval of new branch office means that Peoples Savings Association will start building like this at corner of Main (left in sketch) and Broad

(foreground) in downtown St. Joseph. Schedule calls for start of construction in June and completion by end of year.



**SITE OF SAVINGS AND LOAN:** Former Citgo station will be demolished and Peoples Savings Association will build new branch and administrative office at Main and Broad streets. Peoples Savings will pay City

of St. Joseph \$63,380 for this corner parcel, and two vacant lots on Court street that will be used for parking. (Staff photo)

## Ex-BH Man Is Sturgis Fire Chief

Robert Brown, a former Benton Harbor fireman, will become chief of the Sturgis fire department on April 11, under recent appointment by the Sturgis city commission.

Brown, 34, son of Robert H. Brown, Benton Harbor, and

Mrs. James Morrison, Berrien Springs, has been a member of the Sturgis fire department for the past four years. He was a Sturgis police officer for 18 months before that. He served in the Benton Harbor fire department for 4½ years in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

He will succeed retiring Chief Raymond Carter as head of the Sturgis department.

Brown was born in Benton Harbor and is married to the former Carol Schermer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schermer, 168 Jakway, Benton Harbor. He and his wife are parents of two children.

### Name Change

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Officials have decided to change the name of St. Thomas Catholic High School in Ann Arbor to the Father Gabriel Richard High School, reflecting its area-wide coverage. Richard was a cofounder of the University of Michigan in 1817.



ROBERT BROWN

## Hanley Wins In St. Joseph

Incumbent Joseph Hanley retained his seat on the St. Joseph city commission by defeating write-in challenger Sharon Beal Wilson by a nearly 2 to 1 margin in Monday's election.

Unofficial totals gave Hanley 484 votes to 249 for Mrs. Wilson. Hanley gained his third term on the commission by winning in every precinct except precinct 3 (Washington school) where the candidates tied with 33 each. The commission seat was the only item on the ballot.

Mrs. Wilson had the edge, 21 to 5, in absentee ballots.

"I think the vote was for the whole commission and not just me," Hanley said after clinching the victory. "The vote shows the people have faith in the commission and what we've done."

Asked if he expected to win by a two to one margin, Hanley responded: "Absolutely not." He told reporters he felt the main reason Mrs. Wilson ran in the election was because of the commission's favorable position towards the controversial I-94 penetrator.

"But there's more to this commission than the penetrator," he said. Mrs. Wilson is active in Concrete Opposition Unlimited, a group opposing construction of the penetrator. The commission last October made its favorable vote for the penetrator despite a 2 to 1 vote by city residents in opposition to the penetrator in an advisory election.

"I will continue to work to improve the quality of life in St. Joseph," Mrs. Wilson said when contacted last night by The Herald-Palladium. She said she felt she would have fared better in the election had her name been on the ballot, "but the deadline snuck past us and we hoped there would be other challengers."

"My congratulations to Mr. Hanley, and I would like to thank everyone who helped me in my campaign," she added.

Hanley was the only candidate to file for the one expiring seat by the Feb. 1 deadline and his was the only name on the ballot. He, too, said he wished "to thank the people who got the vote out for me."

City Clerk Patrick Phelan called the approximate 10 per cent turnout of voters "a very good turnout for an annual election. It's the best race we've had in the last decade." He said the city has about 7,200 registered voters.

St. Joseph has a total of five city commissioners elected on a nonpartisan basis.

Following are the precinct by precinct totals, with Hanley's total first:

Precinct 1, city hall, 43 to 16; Precinct 2, city hall, 15 to 10; Precinct 3, Washington school, 33 to 33; Precinct 4, Washington school, 23 to 8; and Precinct 6, Jefferson school, 71 to 33. Others were Precinct 7, Jefferson school, 84 to 23; Precinct 8, Lincoln school, 77 to 44; Precinct 9, senior high school, 73 to 26; and Precinct 10, Lincoln school, 66 to 34.

Both Hanley and Mrs. Wilson live in precinct 8. There is no precinct 5.

Hanley, 54, of 1310 Lewis avenue, is president of Vail Rubber Works, Inc., and has served on the city commission since 1970. He and his wife, Ruth, have five children.

Mrs. Wilson, 36, of 1221 Lurie drive, is a kindergarten teacher at Jefferson school and holds a bachelor's degree from Western Michigan university and a master's degree from Michigan State university. She and her husband, Barry, have four children. It was her first bid for public office.

## Benson's Longevity Pay Stirs Debate

Although the salary of St. Joseph township Supervisor Orval Benson was cut from \$13,500 to \$11,850, Benson will continue to receive more than \$13,000 a year because of a longevity pay formula for full-time township employees, it was learned last night.

The board of trustees adopted a \$1.3 million operating budget for fiscal 1977-78, with one abstention by Trustee Carroll Gerbel. He questioned the legality of the longevity pay formula, now in its third year, and asked for an added legal opinion.

Township Clerk Bill Payne Smith told The Herald-Palladium last night that the longevity pay formula ranges from 2½ per cent added to base pay after one year of service up to 10 per cent after 15 years of service.

Smith said Supervisor Benson will receive a base salary of

\$11,850. Smith said Benson qualifies for the 10 per cent, or \$1,185. This brings Benson's total income to \$13,035 for fiscal 1977-78.

Smith said longevity pay is only for full-time township employees. He said Benson is the only elected official who is classified as a full-time employee. The township has a total of 16, Smith said. Included are seven police officers, office staff, sewer maintenance employees and newly-named Manager Isadore G. DiMaggio.

Smith said DiMaggio, whose salary was set by the board at \$21,600, will qualify for the 2½ per cent longevity pay after serving one year as a full-time employee. DiMaggio resigned as township treasurer, a part-time elective post, to accept the manager's position.

Smith said longevity pay began with the police department and

was expanded to include other employees of the township. Trustee Gerbel said he has no quarrel with longevity pay, but wants another legal opinion because of conflicting comments at last Saturday's annual meeting.

Township Atty. John Crow said Saturday that longevity pay was legal and part of employees' pay because it's listed in the budget. Crow did not attend last night's meeting. Mrs. James (Judy) Ford of 1883 North Cambridge drive said Saturday she believes longevity pay is illegal.

Mrs. Ford, the wife of an attorney, said last night if longevity pay is part of the supervisor's salary as a hidden income, citizens should have voted on that part. Also at last night's

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'FATHER, INTO THY HANDS I COMMEND MY SPIRIT'

Announce Union Services For Holy Week

DECATUR — The Decatur Ministerial association will sponsor a Good Friday service at 1:30 p.m. Friday, April 8, at the First United Presbyterian church, Decatur.

Speaker for the service will be Dr. John Chandler, Minister at Large for the Lake Michigan Presbytery.

Combined choirs of the member churches will provide music.

WATERVLIET — A Community Good Friday worship service will be held at 12:30 p.m., Friday, April 8, at First United Methodist church, Watervliet. The public is invited.

Joining with the host church will be Free Methodist church and Plymouth Congregational church.

A service based upon the last seven utterances of Christ from the cross will be used, and a special meditation will be presented by the Rev. Linda Suddard of Newhope United Methodist church, Bainbridge.

Member churches of the Lakeshore Ecumenical Council will join in the devotions of the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, April 8.

Members of the council are St. Luke Lutheran church, Stevensville United Methodist church and St. Joseph Catholic church, Stevensville annex.

The services will be held outdoors on the grounds of Stevensville United Methodist church. In case of inclement weather, the service will be held at St. Joseph Catholic annex.

Members of the three congregations will have three options to participate in the Stations of the Cross: To make the Stations of the Cross on the hour in the afternoon from 1 to 3 p.m., with a leader; To meditate and pray privately at the Stations on the half hour; Private visitation and meditation at the Stations of the Cross by candlelight between 7 and 8 p.m., at St. Joseph Catholic annex. Prayer sheets will be available.

The Rev. Timothy Knauff, director of the council, pastor of St. Luke church, will lead the 1 p.m. service. The Rev. Lloyd Phillips, pastor of Stevensville United Methodist church, will lead the 2 p.m. service and the Rev. George Ross of St. Joseph Catholic annex will lead the 3 p.m. service.

Each member church is responsible for creating five of the Stations of the Cross in the form of banners.

The Stations of the Cross are a series of meditations on the suffering of Christ, including: 1. Jesus is condemned to death. 2. Jesus bears His Cross. 3. Jesus falls the first time. 4. Jesus meets His mother. 5. Simon helps Jesus carry His Cross. 6. Veronica wipes the face of

Jesus. 7. Jesus falls the second time. 8. Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem. 9. Jesus falls the third time. 10. Jesus is stripped of His garments. 11. Jesus is nailed to the Cross. 12. Jesus dies on the Cross. 13. Jesus is taken from the Cross. 14. Jesus is laid in the tomb.

A recent development in this devotion is toward greater awareness of the relation of the Passion to the Resurrection; this trend, in some circles, has led to the erection of a 15th — unofficial — station.

The person making the Way of the Cross passes before the Stations, or stopping places, pausing at each for meditation. If the Stations are made by a group of people, only the leader has to pass from Station to Station.

The Stations originated, remotely, from the practice of Holy Land pilgrims who visited the actual scenes of incidents in the Passion of Christ. Representations elsewhere of at least some of these scenes were known as early as the fifth century. Later, the stations evolved in connection with and as a consequence of strong devotion to the Passion in the 12th and 13th centuries.

COLOMA — A joint Maundy Thursday worship service will be held at 7:30 p.m. at FAITH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, Coloma, for the host church and REDEEMER

will be broadcast live over radio station WHFB. The offering will be designated for the Camp Warren Improvements Fund.

Speaker for the St. Joseph service will be Dr. George Fisk of First Congregational church. Music will be provided by the choir of the host church.

Also participating will be the Rev. Robert Andrews of St. Paul's Episcopal church, the Rev. Dale Landis of First Church of God, the Rev. Marshall Riu of Zion Evangelical and Reformed United Church of Christ, and the Rev. Charles R. Allen of the host church.

The offering will be designated for the Berrien County Council of Churches.

Maundy Thursday will again be observed in a union service commemorating the Last Supper for FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH and SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH, both of Benton Harbor.

This year, Second Baptist church will be host, with the Rev. Robert Lacker of First Baptist church as the speaker. The Rev. Jonal Adkins, pastor of Second Baptist, will serve as liturgist, and the diaconate from both churches will serve communion. Choirs of both churches will provide music.

HARTFORD — Six area

churches will hold a Union Good Friday worship service at HARTFORD FEDERATED CHURCH.

The service will be held at 7 p.m.

Participating churches are Calvary Bible church, Benton Harbor; Coloma Bible church; Hartford Federated church; Lakeshore Bible church, Lake Michigan Beach; Sister Lakes Community church, and Midway Baptist church, Watervliet.

Pastors Don Barsuhn of Lakeshore Bible church, Estes Kenney of Coloma Bible church and Richard Snyder of Calvary Bible church will bring the meditation on the theme of Crowds at the Cross.

Robert Lightner of the Hartford church will lead a combined choir of members of the participating churches. The Symphonaires of Midway Baptist church will also sing.

A special offering will be received for the Fellowship of Baptist for Home Missions and will be designated to the work of Andrew Phillips in Benton Harbor.

THREE OAKS — The Three Oaks Free Methodist church will host the THREE OAKS COMMUNITY Good Friday service at 1 p.m. April 8.

The Rev. Fred Harberg, pastor of the Three Oaks Congregational church, will be the speaker. Other ministers will participate.

NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES will hold a Union Good Friday worship service at 7:30 p.m. April 8 at Napier Parkview Baptist church, Benton Harbor.

The Rev. R.I. Thompson of Lakeshore Baptist church, Stevensville, will be the speaker. The public is invited.

SOUTH HAVEN — The SOUTH HAVEN MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION will sponsor a Good Friday worship service April 8.

The service will be held at 7:30 p.m. at First Congregational church, South Haven.

During the service, the Rev. Jack Vanden Hauval, pastor of the Kibbie Christian Reformed church, will present a sight sound presentation on the Life of Christ. The Rev. David Cooper, host pastor, will narrate the presentation.

Joint Tre-Ore services will be held for congregations of ST. MATTHEW'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, and GOOD SHEPHERD EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, both of Benton Harbor, will be held beginning at noon Good Friday at Good Shepherd church.

BLOOMINGDALE — The BLOOMINGDALE COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY service will be held at the Bloomingdale United Methodist church at 2 p.m.

Speaker will be Michael Allen, pastor of the Bloomingdale Bible church.

Other churches participating are Bertram Community church, Bloomingdale Christian church and Townline United Methodist church.

GOBLES — A GOBLES COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY service will be held at noon at Bethany Presbyterian church.

The Rev. Paul Armstrong, pastor of the host church, will be the speaker.

BUCHANAN — The annual Good Friday worship service sponsored by the Buchanan Ministerial Association will be held at 1 p.m. at the Seventh-day Adventist church, Niles-Buchanan road.

Pastor G. William Renton of the host church will be the speaker.

Other ministers participating will be the Rev. Robert Stillson of Portage Prairie United Methodist church, the Rev. Ronald Entenman of First United Methodist church and the Rev. Keith A. Morrow of First Presbyterian church.

The public is invited. The offering will be dedicated to the ministerial association.

'THIS DO IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME'

Churches Schedule Holy Week Observances

Special Maundy Thursday and Good Friday worship services will be held at CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH, Stevensville. The public is invited.

The Maundy Thursday service will be held at 7:30 p.m., April 7, with Holy Communion. The Rev. Loren N. Trapp, pastor, will speak on "The Cross in Holy Communion."

The Good Friday service will be held at 7:30 p.m., April 8, with a dramatic Scripture presentation centering on the Last Words of Jesus on the cross. Children of the seventh and eighth grades at Christ Lutheran school will participate. The Rev. Trapp will speak on "He Died for Me."

Holy Week services at the RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH, CHRIST THE SAVIOUR, Benton Harbor, will include a Holy Thursday and Feast of the Annunciation observance April 7 with liturgy at 10 a.m. including the Holy Passion of Christ, and the reading of the Twelve Gospels at 6 p.m.

Good Friday, April 8, the vespers of the burial of Christ will be at 2 p.m., and the Lamentation at 6 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 9, there will be Liturgy of St. Basil, the Great at 9 a.m.

Maundy Thursday services April 7 at ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, St. Joseph, will begin with Holy Eucharist at 10 a.m., followed by the Maundy Thursday Watch from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. At 7:30 p.m., there will be Holy Eucharist.

A Good Friday liturgy will be held at noon.

On Holy Saturday, the Easter Eve Liturgy and Lighting of the Paschal Candle will be held at 4 p.m.

A candlelight communion service will be held Maundy Thursday, April 7, at 7:30 p.m. at FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, St. Joseph.

Holy Week services at SARON LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Joseph, will include at 7:30 p.m. Communion service Holy Thursday. The senior choir will provide music.

A Tenebrae service (of darkness) will be held at 8 p.m. Good Friday. Lights and candles will be gradually extinguished as the Passion narrative is read. The senior choir will sing. At the conclusion of the service, the entire church is dark and worshippers are allowed to

come forward and kneel at the railing for silent prayer.

Holy Week services at the BERRIEN COUNTY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH, Benton Harbor, will include Holy Thursday Liturgy of St. Basil at 8 a.m. and Holy Passion of Christ and Twelve Gospels at 7:30 p.m.

Holy Friday the Royal Hours will be at 9 a.m. the Vespers of the Burial of Christ will be at 3 p.m., and the Lamentations at 7:30 p.m.

Holy Saturday Liturgy of St. Basil will be at 9:30 a.m.

A Maundy Thursday service will be held at 7 p.m. at ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, Stevensville.

Three services will be held Good Friday with a German service at 9:30 a.m., and English services at 12:30 and 7 p.m.

COLOMA — A Good Friday worship service will be held at 1:30 p.m. at FAITH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, Coloma.

SISTER LAKES — A Good Friday worship service will be held at 7 p.m. at REDEEMER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, Sister Lakes, according to Paul Tiefel Jr., pastor.

Holy Week services at GRACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Joseph, will include a Holy Communion service at 7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday and a 1 p.m. service Good Friday.

Church choirs under the direction of Gary Heckman will

participate in all services, according to the Rev. Ronald F. Freier, pastor.

FAIRPLAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Benton Harbor, will be celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion Maundy Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

New members, including the Confirmation class, will be received into the church. A reception in their honor will be held at the conclusion of the service.

The Liturgy of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at 8 p.m. Maundy Thursday at ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH, St. Joseph.

Following the Liturgy, there will be private meditation and reflection. A worship service, "Meditation in Word and Music," will be held at 11 p.m. The choir will present meditative music until midnight.

A Mass will be held at 5:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday at the annex in Stevensville. Families who have baked Easter bread may bring it to this Mass to have it blessed.

On Good Friday, the Solemn Good Friday Liturgy will begin at 12:30 p.m. at the church downtown. A Good Friday prayer service will be held at 8:30 p.m.

On Good Friday at the annex in Stevensville, the annex will be open from 8:30 to 8 p.m. for prayer and meditation on the Way of the Cross.

The only Eucharistic liturgy on Holy Saturday at the downtown church will begin at 9 p.m., and will be the Liturgy of the Lord's Resurrection. It will begin in the church courtyard with the lighting of the new fire and the Easter candle.

A special English service with Holy Communion will be held at 7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday at TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Joseph.

The Rev. Frederick Kipp will speak on "The Enemy Within the Gates."

A German Good Friday service will be held with Holy Communion at 10 a.m. The Rev. Martin Wuggazer of Berrien Springs will be the speaker.

The youth choir will sing for the Good Friday afternoon services to be held from 12:30 to 1 p.m., and 1 to 1:30 p.m. The Rev. Daniel Streufert will speak on "The Title of on the Cross" at 12:30 p.m., and on "The Empty Crosses," at 1 p.m.

At 7:30 p.m., on Good Friday there will be a Tenebrae service. The service will be of meditation involving hymns and Scripture readings in which the contrast between light and darkness symbolizes the death of Jesus Christ.

The congregation of FIRST CHURCH OF GOD, St. Joseph, will observe the ancient ordinance of foot washing to be followed by a service of Communion Maundy Thursday. The service will begin at 7 p.m.

A drama, "He Knew The Master," revealing Stephen's reaction to the ministry of Jesus, from the time of the crucifixion to the resurrection, will be present at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 9, by the Anderson College Players.

Admission is free and the presentation includes a service of worship and is under the

direction of Professor Robert N. Smith. The public is invited.

Holy Week services at PEACE TEMPLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Benton Harbor, will include the traditional Tenebrae and Holy Communion service at 8 p.m. Maundy Thursday, April 7, in the church chapel.

At 10 a.m. Saturday, April 9, the "In-Betweeners" will host an Easter egg hunt for Peace Temple children.

SOUTH HAVEN — The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated at FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, South Haven, at 7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday, April 7. The public is invited.

SOUTH HAVEN — The congregation of CASCO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, South Haven, will observe Maundy Thursday with Holy Communion at 8 p.m. April 7. A film on Holy Communion will be shown.

BRIDGMAN — A Maundy Thursday Communion service will be held at 7:30 p.m. at OLIVET CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Bridgman.

A Good Friday service is planned at 2:30 p.m.

A Maundy Thursday Communion service will be held at 7:30 p.m., April 7 at GOOD

SHEPHERD EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, Benton Harbor.

GANGES — A Maundy Thursday service for the SAUGATUCK-GANGES PARISH UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES will be held at 7 p.m. at the Ganges church.

GOBLES — A Maundy Thursday Communion service will be held at 7:30 p.m. at GOBLES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.

Holy Week services at ST. AUGUSTINE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Benton Harbor, will include Holy Eucharist at 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 6.

There will be Holy Eucharist at 7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday and Altar of Repose, "Watch," will begin at 8:30 p.m.

Good Friday Liturgy will be held at 12:15 p.m. Good Friday.

An Easter Eve service with Liturgy, baptism and "Lighting of New Fire," will be held at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 9.

A special Maundy Thursday service will be held at 7:30 p.m. April 7 at ZION EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCH, St. Joseph. Holy Communion will be served. The public is invited.

During the service, a dramatization of Leonardo da Vinci's painting, "Last Supper," will be presented.

HARBERT — The Maundy Thursday service at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 7, at HARBERT COMMUNITY CHURCH will be a service in commemoration of the Last Supper.

SAWYER — CHRISTIAN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Sawyer, will hold a Maundy Thursday service at 7:30 p.m., with Holy Communion.

SAWYER — A Maundy Thursday worship service with Holy Communion will be held at TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Sawyer, at 7:30 p.m.

A Good Friday service will be held at 7:30 p.m.

GLENDORA — TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Glendora, will hold a Maundy Thursday service with the Lord's Supper at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday service will be held at 3 p.m.

BUCHANAN — Maundy Thursday will be observed at FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Buchanan, with the annual Passover supper at 8:30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Nichols are chairmen of the supper committee.

Chapel communion will be offered those unable to attend the supper.

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## Where To Go... ...And When

### THIS WEEK

**Thursday, April 5**—Student Show, St. Joseph Art Center, St. Joseph, through April 17. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m.

### NEXT WEEK

**Saturday, April 16**—Auburn Wildlife film, presented by Sereit Nature Center and National Auburn Society, "The Bahamas—Top to Bottom," by Harry Pederson, 7:30 p.m., St. Joseph high school auditorium.

### COMING EVENTS

**Sunday, April 17**—Twin City Camera club, "Yellowstone Gems and Grand Teton Vistas," by Raymond W. Moffitt, 2:30 p.m., St. Joseph high school auditorium. Also Monday and Tuesday at 8 p.m.

**Sunday, April 17**—Cinema Arts Society, "Cries and Whispers," 5 and 7:30 p.m., Loma Theatre, Coloma. Also Monday and Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, April 18**—"Area High School Students Present," St. Joseph Art Center, St. Joseph, through May 8. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

**Friday, April 22**—Lake Michigan college Symphonic Wind Ensemble spring pops concert, 8:30 p.m., St. Joe Kickers club, Arden. Arnold Lesser of Lakeshore high school, guest conductor.

**Sunday, May 1**—Blessing of the Blossoms, 3 p.m., Tremendus Fruit farm, Eureka road, Eau Claire.

**Sunday, May 1**—Twin Cities Symphony, 4:30 p.m., St. Joseph high school auditorium. Winners of Young Artists Competition will be soloists.

**Monday, May 2**—Monday Musical club, 1:30 p.m., First Congregational United Church of Christ, St. Joseph. Program will honor National Music Week.

**Saturday, May 7**—Blossom-time Rock Dance, 8 p.m., Shadowland Ballroom, St. Joseph.

**Tuesday, May 10**—Berrien Art Guild Exhibit, St. Joseph

Art Center, St. Joseph, through May 28. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

**Thursday, May 12**—Twin City Players, "Sunshine Boys," 8 p.m., Blue Lecture Hall, Lake Michigan college, through May 14. Also May 20 and 21.

**Sunday, May 15**—Cinema Arts Society, "Lies My Father Told Me," 5 p.m., Loma Theatre, Coloma.

**Wednesday, May 18**—Blossom-time Fashion Show, 8 p.m., Shadowland Ballroom, St. Joseph.

**Saturday, May 21**—Blossom-time Grand Floral Parade, 1 p.m., St. Joseph and Benton Harbor.

**Saturday, May 21**—Blossom-time Square Dance Roundup, 7:30 p.m., Berrien Springs high school gymnasium.

**Saturday, May 21**—Blossom-time Grand Floral Ball, 9 p.m., Shadowland Ballroom, St. Joseph.

**Wednesday, May 25**—Twin Cities Symphony Pops Concert, 8:15 p.m., St. Joseph high school auditorium.

### EVERY WEEK

**Monday**—Benton Harbor public library, half-hour film series for adults, 12:15 p.m.

**Tuesday**—Maud Preston Palenske Memorial library, St. Joseph, family film night, 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday**—St. Joseph Art Center, St. Joseph, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Friday and 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

**Wednesday**—Benton Harbor public library, preschool story hour, 10 a.m.

**Friday**—Benton Harbor public library, films for children, 4 p.m.

**Saturday**—Maud Preston Palenske Memorial library, St. Joseph, story hour for preschool through second grade children, 11 a.m.

**Sunday**—Sereit Nature Center, Benton Harbor, open to public 1 to 5 p.m., nature tour at 2 p.m. The center is also open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Blood Pressure Seminar

Registered Nurses, Licensed Practical Nurses and Nurse Assistants are invited to a "Improve Your Blood Pressure Technique" Seminar Wednesday, April 6, at Mercy hospital, Benton Harbor.

There is no charge for the workshop and those attending may bring stethoscopes and manometers.

The seminar will be held from 7:30 to 9 p.m., in the Lecture Room of Mercy hospital.

Subjects to be included in the seminar are The Korotkoff sounds of B/P, the Five Phases; "How To" Techniques, Palpation and Using the Extremities; 3 Number B/P Reading, Actual Practice.

**Editor's Note:** This second installment of a five-part Easter series on the faith of blacks deals with the modern anti-burns over their predicament, a time of trauma.

By **GEORGE W. CORNELL**  
AP Religion Writer

After the long silence, the storm broke. After the draw-out, restrained waiting, after the years of degradation and exclusion of American blacks, after the accumulated disappointments, postponement and evasions, the pent-up anguish burst across the land—a seething cry for the rights of a race.

The long-suffering plea, "How long, oh Lord?" became a reverberating demand, "Now is the time!"

It began with the congregation of a black Methodist pastor in Kansas, the Rev. Oliver Brown, whose lawsuit brought the historic U.S. Supreme Court decision of 1954 outlawing public school segregation. The spark flared in the Montgomery, Ala., bus boycott of 1955-56 to integrate public transportation, led by the then little-known black minister, the Rev. Martin Luther King.

Turnbull spilled into Little Rock, Ark., where 16 pastors in 1957 raised the first organized protest against the use of state troops to bar black children from Central high school, precipitating federal military intervention.

Afterward came the demonstrations that erupted across the land from 1960 onward for a decade, the lunch-counter "sit-ins," the "freedom rides," the massive marches, the arrests, church bombings and burnings, the slain ministers, black and white, the manifestos, disruptions and riots, an unleashed fury that shook the cities with fire and violence from Los Angeles to Birmingham to Boston.

"And there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour," relates Luke 23:44 of the dying agony of Christ's crucifixion. An earthquake shook the region, says Matthew 27:51. "And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom; and the earth shook, and the rocks were split; the tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised."

It was a shattering interlude in that former time and also in the rending, battering turbulence that in modern times shuddered through this nation. Things had been quiet before, subdued, controlled, in check. And then it struck, a rumbling, a clap of legal thunder, and like a held-back flood bursting its banks, the tide slammed through the defiles, the differences, hesitations and barricades of America.

"I came to cast fire on earth," Jesus says in Luke 12:49. Acts 2:11 adds: "For God shows no partiality."

The upheavals were not confined to any particular region, North or South. Although the early, meaningful confrontations occurred in the South where blacks and whites knew

each other closely and where the "Jim Crow" segregation system had been openly legislated and plainly delineated, the most destructive, blind violence took place in cities of the North and West.

There, the discrimination against blacks generally was covert, inflicted without law and carried on by surreptitious customs and procedures—the real estate agents who screened clients for neighborhood houses and city apartments, the labor unions that racially restricted certifications, the selective admissions offices, the companies that automatically chose only white personnel.

In countless subtle and circuitous ways, blacks comparatively got brushed aside, turned down and refused. In that veiled, yet pervasively inhibiting system, the adversary was shadowy, hidden, hard to pinpoint, and for that reason, seemed all the more frustrating and threatening.

It spawned the squalor of Harlem, of Chicago's West Side, Boston's Roxbury and Cleveland's East End. The pattern formed the backdrop for the conflagrations and devastation that exploded in the Watts section of Los Angeles, in Newark, N. J., in Detroit, that convulsed Boston over school busing.

The disorders seemed largely sheer chaos, directionless detonations of rage, harum-scarum and ambiguous, yet they exposed a smoldering malady. Rampages flared in more than 135 communities in the last half of the 1960s, small-scale and large, waves of destruction, looting, arson and shootings, usually of blacks. More than 130 blacks were killed in riots of that period.

Black church leaders, along with whites, condemned the violence. Baptist minister King, who had organized the Southern Christian Leadership Conference to press the integration cause and who himself had gone to jail 17 times despite his insistence on a Gandhi style of nonviolence, deplored the outbreaks, saying, "We must all live together as brothers or we will perish together as fools."

A U.S. presidential commission, after a seven-month investigation in 1969, blamed the riots on white racism, a failure of the white majority to deal justly with a black minority. Without massive remedies, the commission said, the condition would split the nation into "two societies, one black, one white—separate and unequal."

Although slavery ended for blacks with the Civil War, the virus of racism had tough, knotted roots, passed on from parent to child, instilled by habit, phrases, supposition, self-aggrandizement and casual but cruel stereotypes.

"The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength," records the prophet in first Samuel 2. "The Lord kills and brings to life; he brings down Sheol and raises up...He brings low, he also exalts. He raises up the poor

from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor."

Remarkable, to an unprecedented extent, religious forces joined together in the purposeful aspects of that process: Protestant, Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox and Jewish, North and South, black and white. Despite dissent, to a degree unmatched in American history before or since, the separate bands of Christians as well as Jews locked arms in the early 1960s on behalf of greater human brotherhood.

"We shall be one," they sang, striding side by side, ranks of varied creed and complexion, nuns and ministers, bishops, priests and rabbis, poor folk, rich folk, burly youths and gray-haired oldsters. "We shall overcome."

They made up a dedicated non-violent but stubborn phalanx, resisted by tangled prejudices, power structures and sneering toughs, by beatings, bombings and imprisonments. "You share a deepening ecumenical fellowship in jail," observed

Presbyterian Theologian Robert McAfee Brown, one of about 500 clergy jailed between 1961 and 1965.

The multireligious, interracial alliance first took general shape in January 1963, in Chicago, at a conference on race, the first national meeting in U.S. history convened jointly by all the major branches of faith. They planned together, prayed together, sounded a common determination to eradicate racism with "all diligence and speed."

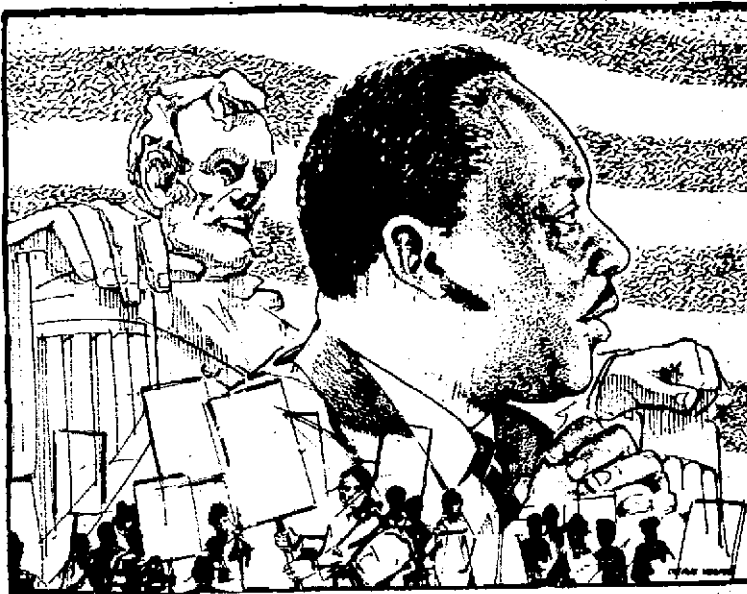
A wave of interracial, interreligious undertakings burgeoned across the nation in the wake of that conference. The scenes, the strife, the concerted stands unfolded in many cities. In joint testimony before the U.S. Congress on July 24, 1963, officially representative Protestant, Orthodox and Catholic organizations—speaking unitedly for the first time—urged strengthened civil rights protections, calling racism a "blasphemy against God."

A month later, 200,000 people engulfed Washington on Aug. 28, 1963, a moving sea of humanity of many skin tones, of many churches, the great and humble of many ages and places, North and South, East and West. With that multitude anniversary of Lincoln's emancipation proclamation, its ideal was revived by King.

"I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal.' I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave-owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood..."

Black churches became the mobilizing centers and deployment points in the Southern struggle. More than 150 of them were bombed or burned from 1954 to 1964.

It happened amid rising tremors of protests and



reprisals, springing up sporadically, of ministers jailed, black and white, of police dogs and fire hoses turned on demonstrators—with black churches resounding nightly with prayers, shouting and hymns.

What had drawn the religiously divided whites together had been the blacks and their travail. Their cross strangely had effected a new reality for whites: It had acted unexpectedly to blot out old religious estrangements in that tortuous time and forged a previously unparalleled bond of conscience and companionship.

In the heart of the South, 275 Atlanta clergymen, Protestant, Roman Catholic and Jewish, pleaded with believers to "implement the principles" of their faith so "brotherhood shall become a reality in our land...without regard to race, class or creed."

The Delta Ministry got underway in 1964, a trained interreligious crew headed by clergymen and working for health, literacy and voters registration among Mississippi blacks. Three workers were slain June 21, their bodies found a month later in a newly filled-in dirt dam.

Then came Selma, Ala., the "bloody Sunday" of March 7, 1965. "Troopers advance." A company of helmeted state troopers in gas masks and mounted sheriff's possemen moved into a throng of 550 blacks at the Pettus bridge and drove them back to their church refuge with tear gas, cattle prods, gun butts and bullwhips, the exploding clouds of gas obscuring in eerie confusion the victims and flailing weapons. Eighty-four were injured, 17 severely.

The crisis, sharpened by two months of futile efforts by blacks to register to vote and 3,900 arrests, had come as they started a protest march to the state capital, Montgomery, only to be turned back in bloody rout. At the call of King, an army of clergy from across the country converged on Selma: archbishops, theologians, pastors, seminarians and lay people.

They bunked on mats in black homes, massed in the humble black church, Brown's Chapel, paraded the streets, hand-clapping, praying, singing. "His truth is marching on." Nuns, serene, smiling, in their flowing, old-fashioned habits, clasped hands with preachers and black youths in the "freedom stamp."

Finally came the strange, massive trek of 54 miles to Montgomery, five days of heat, rains and chill nights. "Walk together children, don't you get weary," King told 3,400 blacks and whites as they left Selma March 21.

Their numbers alternately thinned and grew, swelling to 25,000 as they entered Montgomery to present a voting-rights petition. "We're on the move now," King told the jubilant throng. "...We are moving to the land of freedom."

Indeed, many things were changing. Obstructions were coming down, and more would come down. New laws were being written and implemented, and out of the death throes of black subjugation had sprung a new fellowship of races and faiths.

But a heavy haze lingered, lanced with lightning rancor. King, who had won the Nobel Peace Prize for his reconciling work, said that he had been to the mountaintop and looked over into the promised land, but

doubted if he himself would get there. But, he said, the people would get there.

Next day, on April 4, 1968, he was shot down at the age of 39 as he stood on a hotel balcony in Memphis.

"You will weep and lament," Jesus said of his own dying in John 16:20. "...You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy."

TOMORROW: The Rising.

## Library Closed Friday

Benton Harbor public library will be closed Friday, April 8, in observance of Good Friday.

"The Little Airplane That Grew," a film about a toy airplane that grows into a real one, will be shown Wednesday, April 6, at 10 a.m. during the preschool story hour.

New books in the junior department include "The Cat's Quizzier," Dr. Seuss; "Sudan," Allan Carpenter; "Growing Anyway Up," Florence Heide, and "Is There Life In Outer Space," Robert Kraske.

## ATTENTION! Future Brides

Brides-to-be planning engagement announcements and wedding stories in this newspaper are asked to observe the following rules:

Engagement and wedding forms are available in the women's department at The Herald-Palladium offices in Benton Harbor or St. Joseph. The pertinent information should be typed or plainly printed in filling out these forms to prevent errors.

Wedding forms should be picked up at least two weeks and turned in one week before the wedding is to take place.

When wedding information is sent within two months of the engagement announcement date, only ONE picture will be run. The bride-to-be may have her choice.

Use proper names—not nicknames. In wedding information, use husband's names for married attendants.

Only pictures of the bride in her wedding dress will be used. Formal glossy black and white portraits are preferred.

Engagement and wedding pictures are usually available at this newspaper office after publication for a short time.

### Dress Up In Black

In dress clothes, it's a good idea to stick to less flamboyant colors, such as the proverbial black.

You can vary accessories—jewelry and scarves that add different colors and styles—and chances are you won't be accused of wearing the same dress every time an occasion calls for dressing up.

**FLAVORFUL PUDDING**  
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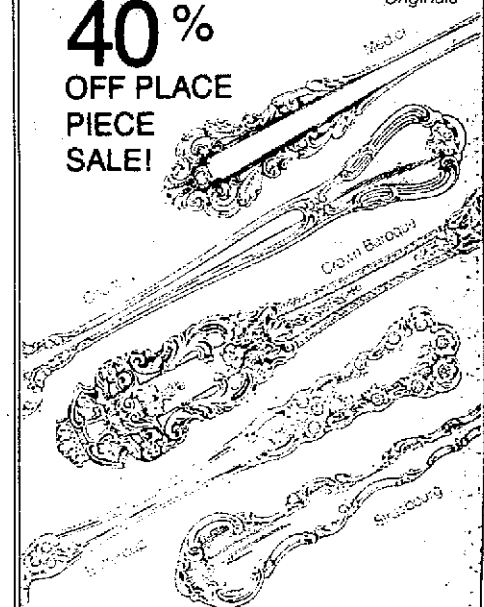
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'Your Problems' By Ann Landers

'Is This Worth Dying For?'

Dear Ann Landers: Because so many people are suffering these days from nervous tension and illnesses resulting from anxiety and worry, I hope you will print the enclosed from the Journal of the American Medical Association.

This article gave me more insight and help than anything I have read in a very long time. As a person who suffers from high blood pressure, it may have saved me from a stroke or possibly even death.

In regard to things we worry about, then ask ourselves, "Is this worth dying for?" Drs. Robert Elliot and Alan Farker of the University of Nebraska

Medical Center ask that we address ourselves to the following questions:

- (1) Establishment of priorities.
- (2) Identifying objective, realistic and obtainable goals.
- (3) Attempting behavior modification of a hard-driving personality.
- (4) Reducing the frequency of stressful life-change events.
- (5) Learning the daily technique of relaxation response.
- (6) Regular physical exercise.
- (7) Group therapy.
- (8) Prescription of medications by a doctor to help the patient cope. Sign me — My Head is On Straight And I'm Looking Forward To A Long Life.

Dear Head on Straight: The questions raised by the

Nebraska doctors are excellent but, with apologies to those erudite gentlemen, I'm going to translate their suggestions into simpler language.

1. Exactly how important is the thing you are worried about? If it doesn't turn out the way you want it to, will it be the end of the world? Is it worth making yourself sick over?
2. Are you knocking yourself out trying to achieve the impossible? Does your reach exceed your grasp?
3. Are you willing to change your ways and lead a better-balanced life? This means all things in moderation — eating, drinking, working, playing. If you're a lusty, hedonistic, driven type, it won't be easy.
4. Are you changing jobs, ch-



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ties, wives or sweethearts too often?

5. Do you know how to relax? Can you check out of the rat-race periodically and forget all about the business, factory, farm, your patients, clients and customers — and just enjoy yourself?
6. Are you willing to take time out of your hectic day to walk, play handball, squash, swim or

do calisthenics — on a regular basis? Don't say it isn't possible. It is — if you really want to do it.

7. Have you considered group therapy? If you have, be careful of what kind of "group" you get into. Some are good, others are bad. I can vouch for Alcoholics Anonymous, Al-Anon, Ala-Ten, Recovery, Inc., Gamblers Anonymous and Synanon. (Self-help groups, in my opinion, are the most effective.)
8. If your doctor suggests drugs to help you cope, O.K. But use drugs only to get through a crisis. Don't become pill-dependent. Remember — there are no chemical solutions to life's problems.

Even if drinking is the "in" thing in your crowd, it needn't crowd you out. Learn the facts from Ann Landers' booklet, "Booze and You — For Teen-Agers Only." Send 50 cents in coin and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Ann Landers, P.O. Box 1400, Elgin, Ill. 60120.



For Wednesday, April 6, 1977

**ARIES (March 2-April 19)**  
You have an air of mystery about you today. This will intrigue members of the opposite sex. They'll strive to know you better.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
You're fortunate with partners where there is mutual sincerity. They'll do more for you than you will for them, but you'll even the score later.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
Those working under you today realize you hold them in high esteem. They'll do more for you than they would for others.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
The social amenities help you careerwise today. If an important deal is pending, an outstanding dinner in a fine setting will help.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 4)**  
You know your strengths and it's not necessary for you to impress others. Today, be gentle and compassionate with all.

**VIRGO (Aug. 5-Sept. 22)**  
There are 8 signs in your ideas today. Though you may not make money for yourself, you save others the way to turn a profit.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)**  
If you're looking to make some sort of a profitable agreement, today the aspects are in your favor. You should come out on top moneywise.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 3)**  
Your helpfulness has a surprise twist today. People feel a compulsion to do things for you. You may get more than you give.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)**  
All you need for happiness today is to be with the one you love. How long has it been since you had a romantic interlude?

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
The pieces are starting to come together for something you've wanted very much. You may see the first indications today.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)**  
You have a secret admirer who has been saying complimentary things about you which you may shortly learn of. You'll be flattered.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)**  
If you have hunches that you feel could better you today, follow them through. You're in tune on a monetary wavelength.



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Through your own efforts, your creativity could open up an additional source of income for you this year. It could be something in the arts or even a hobby.

[Are you an Aries? Bernice Osoi has written a special Astro-Graph Letter for you. For your copy send 50 cents and a self-addressed stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, P.O. Box 408, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. Be sure to ask for Aries Volume 6.]

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By Oswald & James Jacoby

South's problem is to bring in dummy's club suit. He would like to score five tricks there, but four will be enough for his needs since he is sure of three spades and two hearts. As a matter of fact, after the heart lead he can count on three heart tricks.

The simple way to play the club suit is to come to his hand with a spade at trick two and lead a club toward dummy.

Then he puts up dummy's queen and if East is reasonably alert he lets the queen hold.

South comes back to his hand with another spade and leads a second club. After West plays low, South rises with dummy's king. If West had held the ace of clubs everything would be fine, but East produces the ace. Now East leads a spade to establish two spade tricks. South is in dummy for the last time and can't ever bring any more club tricks in. East has blocked the suit by ducking.

South can counter that play in advance by just leading a low club from dummy at trick two. Then when he plays the king of clubs next it doesn't matter what East does. South will still be able to get to dummy with the king of spades and make either three or four notrump depending on whether or not the defense cashes two diamonds.

A California reader wants to know what a California cue bid is.

While neither restricted to or invented in California, it is an advanced bid in which you bid an opponent's suit to ask your partner to bid notrump if he can stop it. It is not recommended except for very well-developed partnerships.



Dr. Lester Coleman

Once hardening of the arteries has begun, is it ever possible to prevent it from getting worse? — Mr. K. T. A., Tex.

Dear Mr. A.:

This major problem in medicine has occupied the attention of doctors and scientists for many years. It has generally been believed that reversing the process of hardening of the arteries was impossible.

Reports, however, have been coming out of laboratories in recent years indicating that the process can be controlled in a measure by using a combination of diet and drugs to lower the blood pressure and cholesterol levels in the blood.

Patients given special diets that markedly limited cholesterol intake and replaced saturated fats with unsaturated fats were studied using a com-

puterized technique. It was shown the fatty deposits on the walls of the blood vessels began to shrink.

These studies are hopeful because they definitely indicate that arteriosclerosis may indeed be a reversible process.

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Is it normal for a newborn baby to be startled by loud noises? — Mrs. T. H., La.

Dear Mrs. H.:

Loud noises produce a "startled reflex," which is perfectly normal. Some children may react more keenly than others and still be within normal limits.

Children are born into this world without fear. Very soon, many of them pay a penalty because we, as parents, transfer our own anxiety. If we react intensely to something, our children will, too.

Many adults carry the scars of fears imposed on them unwittingly by their parents. Many people still live in terror with "inherited" fears, such as that of thunder and lightning.

Newborn infants should be protected from extraordinary noises during the time that they make an adjustment from their world of almost total silence to the world they will live in.

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Incidental to an X-ray for something else it was found I have an extra rib. I have absolutely no symptoms. I wonder if this will cause me trouble as I grow older. I am 24. — Mr. G. S., Wash.

Dear Mr. S.:

The extra, or "cervical," rib is a rather common birth deformity. Many people go through life totally unaware of its existence because it creates no symptoms.

In those instances where the cervical rib causes distress, surgical removal of the rib is performed.

Library Week Schedule

**NILES** — National Library Week will be observed through April 9 at the Niles Community library.

Refreshments will be served today through Thursday from 1 to 4 p.m. in the library by the Teen Council, which also has a special display of interest to area teens.

Films will be shown continuously to all ages daily from 1 to 4 p.m. in the children's area.

On Wednesday, April 6, at 3 p.m. in the library will launch friendship balloons. Each will have an attached message written by library patrons.

Pre-school story hours will meet Wednesday, April 6, at 10:15 a.m. and Thursday, April 7, at 6:30 p.m. Stories will be "The Biggest Bear" and "Mushroom in the Rain." The film, "Beaver Dam," will be shown.

The film, "The Story of Peter Rabbit," will be shown during the tiny tot story hour Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. Two animal stories, "Inch By Inch" and "Henny Penny," will be presented.

Saturday afternoon films, scheduled for 3 p.m. April 8, will include "Ti-Jean Goes Lumbering," "Kodiak Island" and "Star Spangled Banner."

Buchanan Meetings

**BUCHANAN** — A spring clinic for women of Michiana area Churches of Christ will be held Thursday, April 7, at Westside church, South Bend, Ind.

Women planning to attend the all-day event will leave the Buchanan church at 9:30 a.m.

**BUCHANAN** — Primrose Camp, Royal Neighbors of America, will meet Thursday, April 7, at 8 p.m. in the Odd Fellow Hall.

Hostesses will be Mrs. Claude Sheldon and Mrs. Martin Mitch.

**BUCHANAN** — Buchanan 30 club will meet at 1:30 p.m. Monday, April 11, at the home of Mrs. B.R. Desenberg, River street.

Mrs. Richard Gault will

present the program. Topic will be "Tyrants Or Tycoons I Would Like to Have Known."

Keeler Club Elects

**KEELER** — Mrs. Earl Morehouse has been re-elected president of the Keeler Thursday club.

Other officers include Mrs. Florence Bailey, vice president; Mrs. Dorothy Ruple, secretary; Mrs. Ruth Wolff Lytle, treasurer; Mrs. John Nye, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Wilma Thor, chaplain, and Mrs. Gretchen Adams, sunshine chairman.

Sweaters For Men



EYECATCHING: Boldly striped wool sweater jacket, left, buttons up its Y-shawl collar when extra protective warmth is needed. Two handy pockets for stowables open up from the midriff stripe. Persian blanket pattern in a big-top acrylic sweater, right, with V-neck placket, bell sleeves, side vents and collar. Colors are toast, gray, white, black, red, and blue.

Nurse's Aide Course

**THREE OAKS** — River Valley Community Education program, in cooperation with Jordan's Nursing Home, Bridgman, will sponsor a nurse's aide training course beginning Monday, April 11.

The eight-week course will be held each Monday from 7 to 9 p.m. at River Valley high school. Practical experience will be done at the nursing home.

Anyone wishing to enroll may contact the Community Education office.

The program has been designed to give the student skills and experience required to work as a nurse's aide.

The course, which will be taught by Joan Prior, a licensed practical nurse at Jordan's, will include reading vital signs, patient care, personal hygiene, reports, use of hospital equipment and admitting and discharging procedures.

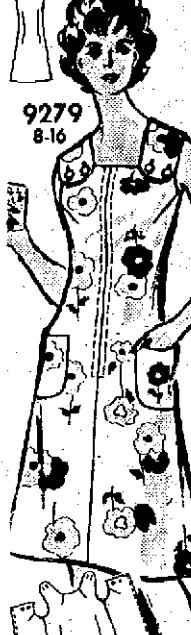
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by Marion Martin

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# It's NEWS TODAY In MICHIGAN

## \$5,000 Reward Offered

FLINT, Mich. (AP) — While Rodney Parnell lay in a coma at a Flint Hospital, the Barron Oil Co. on Monday offered a \$5,000 reward for information on the person who shot the 19-year-old gas station attendant last week. Hospital officials said Parnell has been kept alive with life-support mechanisms ever since he was found early last Wednesday on a Flint doorstep. Police said the young man was working at a self-service Barron station when, some time around 2:30 a.m. March 30, he was abducted during a holdup that netted the thief between \$100 and \$150. Parnell was driven to a rural road about two miles from the gas station, where he was shot in the neck and head at close range with a small caliber pistol and dumped from the car, police said. Officers said the young man managed to make his way to a nearby house, but its occupants were gone for the night. He was found unconscious on the doorstep around 8:30 a.m., and has been in a coma ever since.

## Fifth Mishap In 5 Years

GWINN, Mich. (AP) — The B52 bomber which crashed last Friday in Michigan's Upper Peninsula was the fifth plane connected to K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base to go down in the past five years. All eight crewmen aboard the Strategic Air Command bomber were killed when the plane crashed as it was making its final approach to the Sawyer landing field. Late last year, 19 persons were killed when a Sawyer-based KC135 tanker plane went down near Alpena, in lower Michigan. Two flyers were killed in Dec. 1974 when a B57 Canberra twin-engine jet on a training flight from Malmstrom AFB in Montana crashed while landing at Sawyer. In June 1974, an F108B jet from Sawyer crashed into Marquette's lower harbor on Lake Superior, moments after two pilots parachuted to safety. Another Sawyer pilot suffered a broken leg after ejecting from a F106 fighter shortly before it exploded near Watton, west of Marquette, in October 1972.

## Borrow Here, Pay There

DETROIT (AP) — A disbarred attorney has admitted he borrowed money from a trust fund to repay unauthorized withdrawals from Mayor Coleman Young's campaign funds. Louis R. Lee, co-chairman of Young's 1976 fund-raising activity, said in a handwritten memorandum to his former trust client that he funneled \$35,000 from the trust to the mayor's political fund. Lee said last week he was repaying the final \$5,300 of the \$35,000 he took from Young. Lee contended in a Detroit Free Press interview published Monday that the money he took from the trust fund was technically a loan. But the trust client, Bobbie Joe Hudgins of Detroit, said he does not consider the action a loan and has hired another attorney to get the money back. The attorney, Jon B. Gandelot, has claimed a "constructive trust," a kind of lien, on any money Lee deposited in the mayor's campaign fund after Oct. 27, 1976. If the money is not immediately returned, Hudgins will file suit against Young's fund, Gandelot said.

# HEW Eyes New Child Immunization Plan

By MICHAEL PUTZEL  
Associated Press Writer  
WASHINGTON (AP) — HEW Secretary Joseph A. Califano Jr. plans "a major new push" to immunize as many as possible of the 20 million youngsters who are not protected against one or more of the common preventable childhood diseases, public health sources said Monday.

The sources characterized

## Guarantees Changed

By ASSOCIATED PRESS  
If you slash your new tires on a broken soda bottle or a pothole, you will find you're no longer protected by the road hazard guarantees which used to get you a replacement free or at reduced cost.

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Califano's plan as the greatest effort the Department of Health, Education and Welfare has made to promote immunization since the polio and measles vaccines were developed in the early 1960s.

But they said no nationwide campaign comparable to last year's swine flu vaccination program is in the works.

Califano, who repeatedly has talked about the need to ensure that children who need shots get them, is expected to announce his department's new immunization program in a speech Wednesday to the National Immunization Conference.

About one-third of the 52 million children under 15 years of age lack one or more of the shots available to protect against polio, diphtheria,

rubella, whooping cough, tetanus, mumps and measles.

"The program is expected to involve a public education campaign to identify those children and get them to public health clinics or private doctors for their shots.

Many of the children are from poor families who have little or

no contact with the medical community. They are regarded as the most difficult to reach.

In presenting HEW's portion of the Carter budget proposals in February, Califano announced plans for a \$181 million program to find, examine and treat those children.

That proposal, if it is enacted

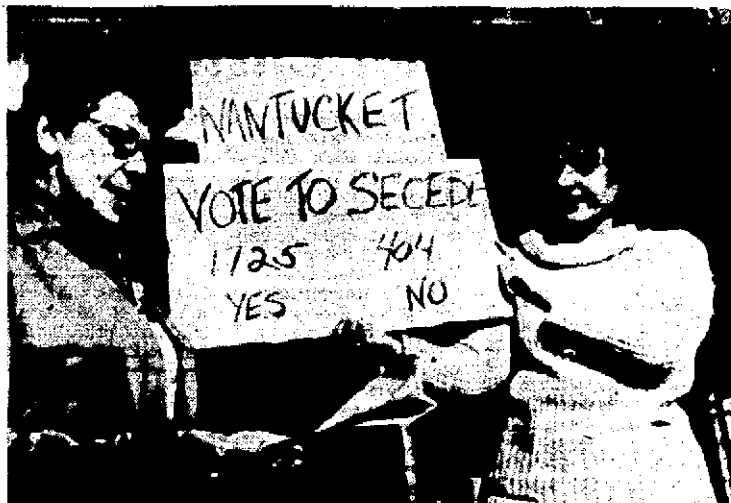
## Child Porno Ban Backed

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Many Michigan children, some as young as 3, are being lured into highly-organized rings dealing in child pornography distributed across the nation, law enforcement officers told a House subcommittee Monday. Police from across the state testified in favor of legislation that would make it a felony to sell child pornography. It is now a misdemeanor. Policemen from Detroit and the Muskegon area displayed confiscated pictures which showed children involved in sex acts. "The man gets one year, and the child gets a lifetime of horror," Detroit Lt. Isiah McKinnon told a special subcommittee of the House Social Services and Youth Committee.

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PLAIN ENOUGH: Nantucket town clerk Madelyne Perry, left, reads results as islander Jill Burkhardt holds sign with results of Monday's non-bidding referendum for secession of Nantucket Island from Massachusetts. Vote ran 1,725-404 favoring secession, with 58 blank ballots. (AP Wirephoto)

## Nantucket Island Straw Vote Goes 4-To-1 For Secession

NANTUCKET, Mass. (AP) — The plain-speaking residents of Nantucket have made clear in a particularly plain-spoken way — a 4-1 referendum vote — that they mean their threat to secede from Massachusetts.

"What started as a lark is something people are taking seriously now," said Wayne Holmes, the Nantucket town meeting moderator, after town meetings Monday resulted in a 1,725-to-404 vote in favor of secession.

The vote was non-binding and no one expects the resort and its equally unhappy neighbor, Martha's Vineyard, to quit the state immediately — if ever.

But political leaders representing the 13,000 people living on the two island coun-

ties off Cape Cod feel they now have a strong weapon in their fight to retain representatives in the state legislature.

The islands have had their representatives since 1696, but a new reapportionment amendment threatens to merge the islands with the mainland district of about 300,000 people.

State Rep. John Conway, R-Nantucket, said he and the Martha's Vineyard representative, Terence McCarthy, want a meeting with Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis to discuss the referendum.

"We want to find out what Dukakis feels about this vote and what can be done about representatives," Conway said. "He could assist us in getting the opinion of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts on representation."

"And after we have taken every avenue, then I think we should proceed to talk to governors of other states which have shown interest in our joining them."

New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut and Rhode Island have expressed interest.

"This wasn't a vote for secession, this was a vote for representation," said Scott Anderson, 28, high school basketball coach and owner of a local store, who complained about

the "three-ring circus" the secessionist publicity created.

But the vote in this weather-beaten old village with a cobblestone main street gave locals a lift after a long cold winter.

One of the first voters, Paul Morris, a New York advertising man turned marine historian in his retirement here, set the tone when he raised a familiar revolutionary war cry, "No taxation without representation."

Two other towns held town meetings Monday. Chilmark on Martha's Vineyard voting 139-31 and Gosnold on the Elizabeth Islands 63-2 in favor of secession. Five other towns on Martha's Vineyard will debate the issue in town meetings scheduled next week through mid-May.

## Tiny RR Is Short Of Cash

BOYNE CITY, Mich. (AP) — Michigan's shortest railroad needs \$14,000 by July 15 or it may be forced to sell some of its assets.

Joseph E. Gierlach, president of the 7.2-mile Boyne Valley Railroad Co. in Charlevoix County, said he is confident the railroad can meet the deadline for its next payment to the Grand Rapids millionaire who sold the line last May.

The railroad, which last more than \$12,500 last year, has sold just \$4,000 worth of stock thus far. But Gierlach predicted stock sales "will pick up once the weather warms and the tourists return."

A 10-member group, headed by state Rep. Dan Stevens, R-Atlanta, now owns the line's tracks, trains, depot and other equipment, purchased from Hollis Baker, a Grand Rapids furniture maker.

The original bid for the line between Boyne City and Boyne Falls was for \$153,000 but negotiations with Baker trimmed the price to \$60,000.

However, the agreement called for a \$10,000 downpayment and the rest in three annual installments. A state-imposed delay in stock sales forced the new owners to provide \$40,000 from their own pockets for expenses and the downpayment to Baker.

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# Bond Issue OK'd To Help Pay For BH Recreation Building

The Michigan Municipal Finance commission has approved a long-awaited \$800,000 bond issue to help pay construction costs for the \$2.2 million Benton Harbor recreation center, Benton Harbor City Manager Melvin Farmer Jr. said last night.

Farmer told city commissioners approval by the Municipal Finance commission, which rules on all municipal bond sales, means the city can now sell the bonds on the open market.

Farmer said the \$800,000 will be used to pay for costs already incurred in construction of the center which was completed in December. The money cannot be used to purchase equipment

which is needed for the center, Farmer said, and a source of funds for the equipment has not yet been found.

The center, located behind Benton Harbor high school, may be open for use sometime this month, Farmer said. It was scheduled to be opened last month, but Farmer said "administrative details" postponed the opening. The bond issue question has no effect on the opening date, he said.

The center, funded by state and federal grants and the \$800,000 bond issue, was originally scheduled to be completed in October, but ran into funding problems.

The funding problems revolved around an \$800,000

bond issue for which the city sought approval, from the Municipal Finance commission. In March, 1976, a Michigan Court of Appeals ruling held up municipal bond sales throughout the state and halted construction of the center for about a month. In addition, the Municipal Finance commission in July failed to approve the \$800,000 bond issue and asked the city to submit a reduced bond issue.

In other areas, members of United Landlords, an organization representing landlords in Berrien county, appeared before the commission and complained about the city's new litter ordinance which allows ticketing of landlords as well as residents for littering.

Musetta Hilliard, secretary-treasurer of United Landlords, said landlords should not be held responsible for "the poor housekeeping habits of tenants."

The group also protested the ticketing of Ken Malkin, Benton

township treasurer and a member of United Landlords, under the new litter ordinance. Malkin, who owns a three-unit apartment at 864 Columbus avenue, pleaded innocent in Berrien District court to the charge March 18. A trial on the case is pending.

"The fact that the city chose to pursue Mr. Malkin (instead of the tenant) merely because it is more convenient can only be considered arbitrary enforcement and personal harassment against him," Mrs. Hilliard said.

The city commission agreed to meet with the landlords later to discuss a proposed landlord-tenant ordinance which will attempt to spell out responsibilities of both landlords and tenants in rental housing in Benton Harbor. Commissioner Arnold Bolin said determining who is responsible for trash or ordinance violations will be one of the issues addressed at the workshop meeting.

The commission also

approved an increase in income levels required for residents to receive grants of up to \$6,000 to fix up their homes under the city's Community Development home rehabilitation program.

Commissioner Michael Govatus said the increase of an average \$500 is needed because families with incomes slightly above the present rate are not able to pay for loans to fix up their homes.

A family of four had to have total income of under \$6,875 to receive a grant under the former level. With the change approved last night, a family of four could qualify for a grant if their income is below \$7,200.

The commission also appointed St. Joseph Atty. Patrick Kinney to the Benton Harbor Economic Development corporation board of directors; Don Mitchell, a former Berrien county commissioner, to the board of harbor commissioners, and Mrs. Sue Taylor, an instructor for Benton Harbor area schools, to the library board.



**REASSIGNMENT:** Defense Secretary Harold Brown Monday announced reassignment of Lt. Gen. Sidney B. Berry, right, superintendent of scandal-marred West Point and recall of retired Gen. Andrew J. Goodpaster to replace him. Selection of a retired general to head the U.S. Military Academy is unprecedented, officials said. (AP Wirephoto)

## TURNED OVER TO POLICE

### Wallet Found With \$133; Seek Owner

Benton township police said they are trying to locate a man whose wallet containing \$133 in cash was found by an employee of a restaurant.

Police said papers also in the wallet identified the man as Leslie Lee Carter, who apparently has moved and has an unlisted phone.

Police said Cindy Wiedner, assistant manager of Arby's Roast Beef, found the wallet and cash in the dining area about 10 a.m. Saturday. She turned the wallet over to township police. Identification papers indicated that Carter resides at 773 Thresher avenue, Benton Harbor, but police said he reportedly has moved.

Police said the phone company tried to contact Carter through an unlisted number, but didn't reach him. A check with the Benton Harbor post office indicated Carter did not record a change of address, police said.

In Benton Harbor, a Michigan

Treasury department check for \$217.69 was returned to its owner after being found on the ground Saturday by Mitchell Williams, 29, according to city police. Police said the check was made out to Elvin Anderson, who formerly resided in the same apartment building as Williams, but moved recently. Police said Anderson was contacted at his new residence and the check was returned to him.

## Cyclist Hurt In Collision

**DOWAGIAC** — A Sodus motorcyclist, Jim Dale Traugher, 25, of 3333 Pipestone road, was treated and released from Lee Memorial hospital here as the result of a collision between his cycle and a car yesterday.

Dowagiac police identified the car driver as Paul Brauer, 46, route 1, Dowagiac, who was unhurt in the 4:08 p.m. accident on Main street near Michigan street. The accident remains under investigation and no tickets have been issued, police said.

## Two Men Hurt In Jet Crash

**YPSILANTI, Mich. (AP)** — Two men were injured Monday night when their Lear jet overshot the runway at Willow Run Airport and crashed, state police said.

Reported in satisfactory condition at the University of Michigan Hospital was the plane's pilot, Mac Gardner, 51, of Ecorse, Mich. The plane's only passenger, Frank Marekka, 55, of Romulus, Mich., was reported in good condition.

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## Fennville Tables Bid To Rezone

FENNVILLE — The Fennville city commission last night tabled until April 18 a request for rezoning made by a Battle Creek developer who wants to build 50-unit \$800,000 apartment project in the city.

The project, one of three recently presented to the city, would be located at the west end of Reynolds street. The developer, Christian Dencker of Battle Creek, wants the proposed 12-acre site rezoned from agriculture to commercial-multiple dwelling. Petitions signed by 30 people against the project were presented to the city.

Dencker, in explaining possible financing, said about seven per cent of the construction costs would be his own money and he would secure remaining necessary funds through FHA and commercial lending institutions. He also said the most likely option for financing was through FHLA "interest credit" program. Under it, the developer gets a portion of his loan interest canceled if some rents are lowered for tenants earning less than \$15,000 annually.

He added that he would "solicit limited partnership participation" by selling partnership interests to local residents for about \$2,500 per unit as investments after construction. About 10 local residents at the meeting objected to several portions of the plan. A major concern was presented by Eugene Binder and John W. Becker. They said they think Reynolds street, which has a steep grade near its intersection with Elizabeth street, could not handle the volume of traffic to be produced by 50 new living units, especially in the winter. Dencker said he would try to work out another alternative to the Reynolds street entrance. The proposed project would have one, two and three-bedroom units for rent in the \$130 to \$210 per month range with actual rates depending on individual income.

Since Mayor Robert McCracken was absent, the rezoning was tabled. Acting Mayor James Clary said he expects all commission members to be present at the April 18 meeting when the rezoning will again be up for commission consideration. The city has already approved the rezoning request of American Dwellings, Inc., Kalamazoo, which is planning a \$700,000, 32-unit apartment development on a five-acre site on North Maple street.

A third request, also to be considered at the April 18 meeting, is from Steve Kiss of Fennville who wants to rezone his property at the corner of North Maple street and Landsburg road. He wants to erect a four-apartment building.

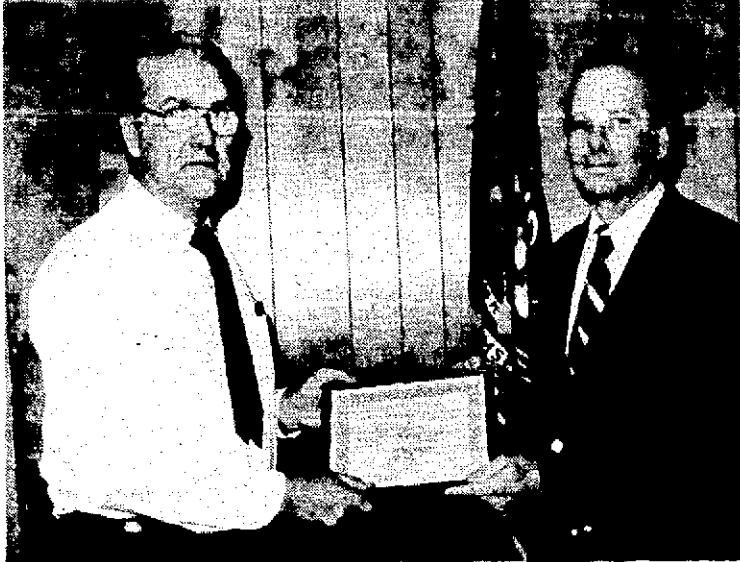
In other action, the commission voted to buy a radio unit for the community ambulance service from Tel-Rad, Inc., of Holland, for \$2,682. About \$800 would be local funding with the remaining coming from federal funds. John Kelly, ambulance service director, notified the commission that nine local people had recently been certified by the state through the Emergency Medical training course at Allegan General hospital. The board authorized payment of the \$50 tuition fee for each of the nine who completed the program.

County surveyor and consulting engineer Donald Ratekin presented cost proposal for 1,800 feet of storm drain for the 58th street, M-89 intersection. He said costs had increased by \$11,000 in the two years since last estimates were made. He said the drain project would be about \$50,000.

The city would be responsible for about \$41,000 of the project with some savings possible if city workers installed the drain. He said the cost of resurfacing 58th street north from M-89 to the city limits, at a width of 28 feet, would be \$85,000. The state would fund the widening and paving of the intersection ramp and traffic lanes at the M-89 and 58th street intersection.

City Clerk Dorothy Garlock reported she had received \$400 in delinquent water bills recently, but there are about \$300 in township bills still outstanding. Service to those customers will be cut off April 10 in accordance with an existing city ordinance.

Commissioner Ned Bale said he will present next year's budget at the April 18 meeting.



OFFICIAL HONORED: Robert Palmer, left, Coloma township treasurer was presented with certificate from Berrien county board of commissioners commending him for service on county planning commission. Palmer, first appointed to planning commission in January, 1965, was charter member of commission and served two years as chairman. He resigned from body March 1. Presenting certificate last night was County Commissioner R. J. Burkholz, right. (Cliff Stevens photo)

## Covert Twp. Board Okays \$509,500 Tentative Budget

COVERT — Covert township board last night approved a tentative 1977-78 budget of \$509,500, including funds for construction of a new \$130,500 township hall.

Supervisor Jerry Sarno said final adoption of the budget would take place sometime in June, after a public hearing on the budget has been held.

This year's tentative budget also includes Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) funds of \$25,000, federal revenue sharing funds of \$75,000 and state revenue sharing funds of \$32,000. Last year's tentative budget totaled \$275,500, but did not include CETA or federal revenue sharing funds or the new township hall account.

Other major disbursements outlined in the tentative 1977-78 budget are as follows: roads, \$85,000; road maintenance and snow removal, \$28,500; police department, \$85,000; ambulance, \$43,000; contingency fund, \$40,000; sanitary landfill, \$20,000; streets and sidewalks, \$12,500.

In other areas, the board approved payment of an annual subsidy of \$266 (10 cents per head) to the Van Buren county Transportation Task Force.

Mrs. Octavia Hawkins, township resident, again voiced opposition to the township pay-

ing the annual subsidy but was told the board could make the contribution.

A reward of \$200 was authorized by the board for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone found throwing trash or garbage outside the fenced-in boundaries of the township landfill.

At the same time, a sanitary landfill attendant asked the board when a bulldozer would be hired to come in and clear away trash that has been dumped inside so more can be dumped. The board said the matter would be taken care of as soon as the weather breaks.

Frank Edmundson asked the board for a legal opinion on why the township library is in cooperative ownership with a Masonic Order. A library spokesman said the library

board owns the building, but it has been stipulated that the Masonic lodge can meet there. The board said it would furnish Edmundson with a copy of a legal opinion on the situation.

Percy Blanks, cemetery sexton, questioned when gravel would be received for roads in the addition to the township cemetery No. 1. The board said the gravel is expected in two weeks.

The board approved payment of expenses for board members wishing to attend an accounting seminar for elected township officials in Battle Creek, April 14.

A resolution of tribute was passed in honor of the late Archie Elliott, former township zoning and planning commission member, who died last month. The resolution will be presented to Mr. Elliott's wife.

## South Haven To Seek Sewer Improvements

By TOM KENNER  
South Haven Correspondent

SOUTH HAVEN — Improvements to the South Haven sewage system received a go-ahead from the city council last night.

The council voted to ask the state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to authorize preparation of a sewer evaluation survey and to design an improvement program that would upgrade the system.

The decision follows action by South Haven and Casco townships not to participate in a regional sanitary sewer system with the city.

Even without the townships, the city faces the need to fix existing lines to correct an infiltration problem and to make improvements to the treatment plant. At times, the city's treatment plant has not met state treatment standards because of the infiltration problem.

The estimated cost of the project is \$426,000, with up to 80 percent funding coming from state and federal agencies. The joint project with the townships, which would have included the construction of new lines in several areas outside the city, was \$6.5 million.

South Haven township had been the lead applicant in the regional concept and city officials hope that the township's priority status will be transferred to the city so that work can begin during the current fiscal year.

In other matters, council approved final funding arrangements for a \$293,250

improvement project of Indiana avenue. State and federal funds will cover all but approximately \$32,000 of the expense of the project which is expected to begin next week.

The council revealed that it plans to institute a vehicle sticker program for parking near city-owned beaches this summer. Stickers will be provided free for the vehicles of residents and people who are taxpaying property owners but live outside the city.

Stickers will be sold to others for \$1 on weekdays and \$2 on Saturdays and Sundays. A seasonal permit will also be available for \$15.

Alderman Robert Warren noted that purchase of a sticker will not guarantee a parking space, but the revenue is intended to help offset the city's expenses for policing and cleaning the areas.

The council authorized preparation of a letter to Gov. Milliken protesting a proposal by the state department of corrections to establish a prison near Saugatuck.

Aldermen said they did not believe a prison was conducive to the area. They also feared an increased work load for the South Haven police force.

Residents of the city's southwest side complained about blowing sand from a feeder beach project underway along the Lake Michigan shoreline.

The residents contend the contractor, Dykstra Excavating company of Grand Rapids, has not adequately completed the job, causing blowing sand to collect as deep as eight inches on some lawns. They also complained that heavy trucks damaged roads in the area.

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### March Toll Is 105

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Traffic accidents in March claimed 105 lives, Michigan State Police reported. The toll was 29, or about 21 per cent, less than the toll of 134 in the same month last year. The death toll for 1977 is 301, compared to 354 at this time last year.

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**KING MEMORIAL SERVICE:** Rev. Martin Luther King Sr. leads family members in prayers during services in Atlanta, Ga., marking the anniversary of the death of Martin Luther King Jr., shot during sanitation strike in Memphis. (AP Wirephoto)

## Three Oaks Twp. Asked To Make Sewer Decision

THREE OAKS — The Three Oaks township board has been asked to make a decision on the proposed extension of the Three Oaks village sanitary sewer system into the township.

Supervisor Robert Todd said the Three Oaks village engineering firm, Wightman & Associates, St. Joseph, had made the request.

The proposed extension of the village sewer system into the township would serve some eight homes off Chamberlain road northeast of the village and another 48 off Kruger road north of the village.

The township board last night called for a special meeting on the matter at 7:30 p.m., Monday, April 18, at the township hall to explain to the homeowners the costs involved and to get a response from them.

An official public hearing on the facilities plan has been set by the village in conjunction

with the township and Berrien county Board of Public Works for 7:30 p.m., Thursday, April 21, at the Three Oaks elementary school gymnasium.

In other areas, the board agreed to look into the cost for replacing the present sidewalk in front of the township hall.

Payment of \$6,808 was approved as the township's share of operating the Three Oaks volunteer fire department the past year. The cost is shared equally by the village and township.

The board appointed Richard Vavra to serve on the township zoning board, replacing J.S. Wolfe, whose duties as building inspector prevent him from holding the zoning board position. Another zoning board appointment will be made in May

to replace P.J. Walton, who has resigned.

The board also approved looking into the cost of having an annual audit, instead of one every other year as the state requires.

The license fee of the Zabel Salvage yard was raised from \$25 to \$40 per year in renewing the salvage yard's yearly contract with the township.

## Palestinian And Cuban Leaders Visit In Moscow

MOSCOW (AP) — Cuban, Tunisian and Palestinian leaders have arrived separately on visits expected to deal with the black struggle against white regimes in southern Africa and the Arab-Israeli conflict in the Middle East.

The arrival of Yasser Arafat of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) coincided with the publication Monday of a strong defense of the Palestinian cause and the arrivals of Tunisian Prime Minister Hedi Nourra and Cuban President Fidel Castro.

Castro, who had just completed an African tour, was greeted at Vnukovo Airport by top Soviet leaders including President Nikolai V. Podgorny, himself back only hours earlier from an African trip on which he stopped in four of the six nations Castro visited. The two did not meet in Africa.

Communist party chief Leonid I. Brezhnev, Premier Alexei N. Kosygin and Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko also went to the airport to greet Castro, underlining the importance of their Cuban ally to them.

### FRIGID SOUTH POLE

WASHINGTON (AP) — When the South Pole has record low temperatures, it doesn't kid around. Last year's average daily temperature of 58 degrees below zero made the past winters in the United States look like a scorcher.

## Dowagiac Hears Pilot Complaints

DOWAGIAC — A meeting with disgruntled pilots who use the city-owned airport was scheduled for today after the pilots made an appearance at the Dowagiac city council meeting last night.

Some 20 pilots, many of them members of the Dowagiac Pilots' association, appeared before the council to re-emphasize their complaints about an airport fees and regulation ordinance adopted by the city council in February.

After hearing seven pilots address the council, City Manager Henry Graper Jr. told the pilots the city had already scheduled a Tuesday meeting with representatives from the Federal Aviation authority and the Michigan Aviation authority and invited pilots to attend as well.

In addition, Mayor Graham Woodhouse told the pilots that the city council plans to make new appointments to the Airport board which has been unable to take action at many of its past meetings because of a lack of a quorum.

The pilots in March appeared before the Airport board and said the February ordinance regarding the city-owned Cass county Memorial Airport was adopted without pilot input and that some of the regulations and potential fee schedules could drive pilots to other fields.

In other action last night, the council set a public hearing for May 4 at 7 p.m., in the council chambers, for discussion of the proposed closing of two Amtrak railroad street crossings in the city.

Proposed for closing are the Telegraph and Beeson street crossings as part of general Amtrak rail improvements through much of the state. Also proposed for closing are several other crossings in Cass county and several in Van Buren county as well.

Graper said only the Michigan Public Service commission can order the closing of the crossings.

The council also awarded a \$2,140 contract to Allen Construction of Dowagiac to demolish several substandard structures under a federal community development grant.

The firm was low bidder among four firms.

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# South, East Raked By Killer Storm

**By ASSOCIATED PRESS**  
A spring storm packing funnel clouds, torrential rains and tornado-level winds drove across the Mississippi Gulf to the Northeast, killing at least 26 people and leaving scores injured or missing and thousands homeless.

## Bank Suspect Faces Court

**GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP)** — An 18-year-old, whose activities triggered suspicions of workers at a Sodus bank, has pleaded innocent to charges of trying to enter the bank with intention to rob it. Michael G. Pemberton of Montrose appeared Monday before U.S. Magistrate Stephen Karr. Bond for Pemberton was set at \$30,000. The youth was spotted outside the First National Bank of Southwestern Michigan at Sodus on March 4. Bank employees saw a car pass repeatedly and then saw someone approaching the bank wearing tape or bandages on his face. Bank officials locked the bank, turned off the lights and called the police. They said the man tried repeatedly to open the bank doors before officers arrived.

## Carter Revamping Food Stamp Plan

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million to the budget if not counterbalanced by reduced benefits and cuts from the upper income brackets of the caseload, USDA said.

This move was strongly urged by consumer and anti-bureaucracy groups and by the new USDA hierarchy and eventually was accepted by some White House advisers and the budget office professional staff. Sens. Robert Dole, R-Kan., and George McGovern, D-S.D., proposed it in October 1975 without success.

Its most formidable opponent is Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Herman E. Talmadge, D-Ga. He is known to have put considerable private pressure on Carter and budget director Bert Lance to keep it out of the administration package.

Presently, families certified as eligible for the aid pay cash for a monthly allotment of stamps. The allotment is geared to family size. The average payment works out to about 40 per cent of the face value of the redeemable coupons.

Ending the cash purchase requirement would mean the eligible family would get just the coupons USDA now subsidizes. For example, a family paying \$66 for \$166 in stamps would get \$100 in stamps. Persons with \$36 income or less per month already get their stamps free.

Opponents protest that means the \$66 now spent for food will be spent on something else. Proponents say many of the almost six million eligible families not now participating can't raise the cash needed to get benefits they need.

Talmadge has introduced his own reform bill, as have Dole and McGovern. Talmadge's would retain the cash price and slightly improve benefits. The Dole-McGovern bill would greatly improve benefits to those remaining on the rolls.

How much a particular household now pays depends on its net income.

For example, a three-person family seeking its \$130 in stamps expects \$300 in income this month. A local food stamp clerk determines it can deduct \$77 for such things as doctor bills and shelter costs.

That family, considered typical, thus has net income of \$223. A chart of prices by income bracket and family size prescribes a payment of \$58, or about 26 per cent of net income.

The family would be ineligible now if its net income hit \$433 a month. Like the senators, Carter proposed that itemized deductions be replaced by a uniform deduction and the ceiling set at the official poverty lines.

Now \$363 a month for that family, the poverty line is expected to be pegged at \$465 a month when updated ones are announced later this month.

But allotments, last adjusted in January 1976, also are expected to be raised to account for inflation.

The administration bill calls for a standard deduction of \$90. Bergland said standardization is fairer for all recipients and would reduce costly arithmetic errors plaguing the program while curtailing paperwork for both local officials and

The heavily populated Birmingham, Ala., area bore the brunt of the tornadoes Monday. At least 19 persons died there, 17 of them in the Smithfield Estates housing project which was leveled.

High winds and hail spawned by the storm are believed to

have contributed to the crash of Southern Airways DC-9 jet in New Hope, Ga., northwest of Atlanta.

Flash flood warnings were up today for parts of the Ohio River Valley, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and southeastern New York. In southeastern states, National Guardsmen searched for more victims after weekend rains had made many roads impassable and knocked out communications.

At least a dozen tornadoes were sighted as the storm whipped across the Southeast, pummeling Alabama, Mississippi and Georgia with rains that crested streams at record levels.

One victim, Edna Davis of Asheville, Ala., was killed when a tree fell across her backyard storm shelter. Her house was not damaged.

One person was killed and two others were injured when a twister flattened a trailer park in Floyd County in northwest Georgia, only about 30 miles from the site of the plane crash. Authorities said 75 to 100 persons were evacuated from a nursing home after a tree fell on the building, but no one was injured.

In Kentucky, Gov. Julian Carroll planned an aerial tour of the hard-hit southeastern counties, where at least three people were reported dead and hundreds of others forced to emergency shelters on higher ground.

"The people we've talked to say it's the worst flood they can remember," said Tom Little of the state Division of Disaster and Emergency Services. He said 200 people took refuge in a school and National Guard armory Monday night from the swollen Cumberland River, which rose to a record 18 feet or more above flood stage.

"We had no advance warning this was about to happen," said Everett Jones, Harlan County Civil Defense director. He said some of those forced from their homes were "hanging in trees, waiting to be rescued."

Virginia Gov. Mills Godwin planned to declare several mountainous counties in the southwest disaster areas.

Washed-out roads and telephone outages isolated the communities of St. Charles, where rescue units were reported trapped, and Grundy, where water rose six feet in a hospital basement and knocked out power.

West Virginia reported that a man and a 7-year-old boy drowned in the southern part of the state while close to 300 people were evacuated from their homes in McDowell County.

In Welch, officials said backed-up sewer waters carried leaking gasoline fumes to 15 other homes, causing one explosion but no injuries.

**MARCH IN MEMPHIS**  
**MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP)** — About 1,000 marchers walked through the rain-slick streets of downtown Memphis to mark the ninth anniversary of the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr.



**WOBBLY AND WONDERFUL:** Ginger the camel, left, watches her mate Shiek nuzzle their newborn female offspring at the Como Park Zoo, St. Paul, Minn., Sunday. The new addition weighs 70-75 pounds. (AP Wirephoto)



**TWISTER WRECKAGE:** Debris litters Smithfield Estates area of Birmingham, Ala., after a tornado raked the western section of the city Monday. Some 17 people died as twister leveled Smithfield Estates housing project. (AP Wirephoto)

## DEATHS AND FUNERALS

### Otto Weckworth

Otto P. Weckworth, 88, Territorial road, Benton Harbor, died Monday in the South Haven Community hospital. He was born Dec. 3, 1887, in Germany. He was a retired Bainbridge area fruit farmer.

Surviving are a son, Albert Weckworth, Benton Harbor; three daughters, Mrs. Arthur (Frieda) Filter, Cedarburg, Wis.; Mrs. Lawrence (Cecile) Walker, Palatine, Ill.; Mrs. Gilbert (Elsie) Hantz, Watervliet; a sister, Mrs. Ann Toner, Milwaukee, Wis.; 12 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. His wife Theresa preceded him in death in 1973.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Hutchins funeral home, Watervliet, where friends may call after 8 this evening. Burial will be in St. Paul's cemetery. Memorials may be made to St. Paul's United Church of Christ building fund.

### Archer Rites

Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Archer, 94, of 7640 East Empire, Benton Harbor, who died Sunday, will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Dey-Florin funeral home, St. Joseph, where friends may call after 7 this evening. Burial will be in Byers cemetery, Bainbridge. Mrs. Archer was a member of St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Bainbridge.

### Whitt Rites

Funeral services for Revis Whitt, 58, of 820 Michigan, St. Joseph, who died Sunday, will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Dey-Florin funeral home. Burial will be in Riverview cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home.

### Lawrence Rites

Funeral services for Mrs. Parlice Lawrence, 85, of 242 Burton street, Benton Harbor, who died Saturday, will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday in Pilgrim Rest Baptist church. Burial will be in Crystal Springs cemetery. Friends may call at Robbins Brothers funeral home beginning Wednesday.

### Mrs. E. Bassman

Mrs. Esther (Weinberg) Bassman, 78, of 10747 Salem drive, Sun City, Ariz., was dead on arrival at 6:35 a.m. Sunday in Boswell Memorial hospital, Sun City. She was born July 8, 1898, in Benton Harbor.

Mrs. Bassman retired in 1966 from Farmers and Merchants National Bank, Benton Harbor, where she was assistant cashier. She moved to Sun City shortly after retiring. Mrs. Bassman was a member of B'Nai Shalom Temple, Benton Harbor.

Surviving are her husband, Samuel Bassman; a step-son, Morris Bassman, Des Moines, Iowa; 16 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Her first husband, Samuel Weinberg, preceded her in death in 1958.

Graveside rite will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in B'Nai Shalom cemetery, Benton Harbor. Local arrangements are in charge of the Fairplain chapel, Florin funeral home.

### Whites Rites

**SOUTH HAVEN** — Funeral services for Mrs. Maude White, 87, of Route 1, South Haven, who died Sunday, were held at 10 a.m. today in the Frost funeral home, South Haven. Burial was in Burr Oak cemetery, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. White was born April 9, 1889, in St. Cloud, Minn., and was a member of the Kibbie Community church.

Surviving is a foster son, William Bobo, St. Louis, Mo.

### George Hooper

**SOUTH HAVEN** — George Hooper, 90, Route 1, South Haven, died Monday morning in South Haven Community hospital. He was born April 18, 1886, in Chicago, Ill., and retired in 1946 from Everett Piano Company, South Haven. His wife, the former Lillian Hoffmann, preceded him in death in 1964.

Surviving are a son, George Hooper, South Haven; two daughters, Mrs. Joan Corey, Grand Rapids and Mrs. Dorothy Schaal, Evergreen Park, Ill.

Graveside rites will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Evergreen cemetery, Evergreen Park. Friends may call from 7 until 9 this evening in the Frost funeral home, South Haven.

### Juroff Rites

**EAU CLAIRE** — Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Juroff, 54, of Tabor ave., Eau Claire, who died Sunday, have been changed from 2 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Bowerman funeral home, Eau Claire. Cremation will follow.

### Glenn Ray

**GALIEN** — Glenn Ray, route 1, Box 237-A, Galien, died Monday morning in Niles Pawating hospital.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete this forenoon at the Connely-Noble funeral home, Galien.

### Paul Adaskevich

**BANGOR** — Paul Adaskevich, 78, of 418 Cherry street, Bangor, died Monday evening in Venice, Fla. He was born June 21, 1897, in Russia and had resided in the area 45 years, where he was a fruit farmer.

Surviving are his widow Pauline; a daughter, Mrs. Richard (Valeria) Dillman, Bangor; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete this forenoon at the Stafford-Robbins funeral home, Bangor.

## Truck Taken From Plant

**NILES** — State police here said a semi-truck tractor valued at \$5,000 was reported stolen yesterday from Niles Manufacturing Co., 2101 Terminal road.

Troopers said the 1966 GMC model was taken from inside the plant sometime Sunday night or early yesterday morning. The truck had been recently painted red and bore no markings identifying its owner, police said.

Police said they believe the plant was entered through an overhead door, but it was unknown if the door was locked.

### Robert Kellogg

**ALLEGAN** — Robert M. Kellogg, 75, who was at one time, superintendent of schools in Bloomingdale and Gobles, died Monday in Borgess hospital, Kalamazoo.

Mr. Kellogg, of 620 Lake drive, Allegan, was superintendent at Bloomingdale from 1946 to 1952 and was superintendent at Gobles in the 1943-44 school year.

He retired when he left the Bloomingdale district.

Mr. Kellogg was born Jan. 19, 1902 in Constantine, Mich. He was a graduate of Western Michigan college, now Western Michigan university in Kalamazoo, and received his master's degree from the University of Michigan.

Mr. Kellogg was a member of the Marcellus Lodge 291, F&AM.

Surviving are his widow Harriett; a daughter, Mrs. Robert (Roberta) Angle, Allegan; three grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Gladys Brady, Grand Rapids.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday in the Allegan Chapel of Gorden funeral home, where friends may call after 7 p.m. Wednesday. Burial will be in Scholcraft cemetery.

Memorials may be made to "Dollars for Scholars" or the Allegan First Congregational church.

## Reviewing Watershed Projects

**EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP)** — The U.S. Department of Agriculture is reviewing all small watershed projects in Michigan under construction or approved for construction, said Soil Conservation Service conservationist Arthur Cratty has reported.

The review is at the request of President Carter, he said. The first screening will be to identify those projects which are environmentally and economically sound.

Projects which do not pass initial screening will undergo more thorough study, he said. Some will be selected for public hearings.

The Michigan review is part of a government-wide study of all water resource projects ordered by Carter.

The six small watershed projects being reviewed in Michigan are the East Branch Sturgeon River, Middle Branch Vass River, East Upper Maple River, Indian Creek, West Upper Maple River and the Rogue River.

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# St. Joe Votes To Quit DART

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that the commission might review its decision on Dial-A-Ride if Benton Harbor were to agree to subsidies based on rider usage.

Dial-A-Ride has been operating in the Twin Cities area for the past 2½ years. It operated in the townships of St. Joseph and Lincoln for a while, but those governmental units withdrew. It now has a fleet of 13 vehicles including some specially equipped vans for the handicapped. Dial-A-Ride is governed by a board of directors made up of three representatives from each member municipality.

St. Joseph's representatives on the board are Heppler, Ronald Griffin and William Grimes. All three signed a 3½-page memorandum to the city commission in which it was recommended that the "most precipitous action" the city might take would be withdrawal from Dial-A-Ride.

Heppler said the sidewalk inspection and repair program to begin April 11 is a continuation of a program begun and approved by the commission in 1974.

The downtown area to be inspected is bounded by Port street on the north, Court on the east, Elm on the south and Lake Boulevard on the west. It will be the second inspection for the downtown area, Heppler said. It was first inspected in 1974, but some areas are in need of repairs again, he said. Sidewalk repairs contracted by the city will be done by the Haak Concrete Construction Co., 345 Robin court. Haak was the lowest of three bidders for the work. Heppler said. Haak will charge \$2.04 per square foot to repair regular sidewalk and \$2.26 per square foot for sidewalk in a driveway. The regular sidewalk is 4 inches deep while the driveway sidewalk is 6 inches deep. Haak will charge \$12 an hour for removing roots.

# Longevity Pay Raises Debate

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meeting was Robert E. Dennison of 981 Carley lane, who challenged the legality of longevity pay and said he doesn't believe Supervisor Benson is a full time employee.

This drew criticism from Benson, who accused Dennison of "lying to the people" Saturday. Dennison Saturday was quoted as saying that residents at the annual meeting have the power to set the salary of DiMaggio "at \$1 a year, if you want to."

Benson said the board sets salaries of all appointed officials and "if the board wants to reduce my salary, it can."

The board in other business:

—Denied a request by the South Shore Racquet club for a club liquor license on grounds that organization is not non-profit and has not been in existence for two years as required under state law.

—Voted to purchase two 1,000-gallon gasoline tanks for \$350 each for maintenance trucks in Eaton park.

—Accepted a low bid of \$3,900 from Bartz Pontiac for a new patrol car.

—Set annual township cleanup dates for Saturday, May 14 and Saturday, May 28. Residents on these Saturdays may put large items of trash in the landfill without charge.

—Accepted the resignation of Trustee Sally Mutz with a vote of thanks for excellent service and letter of commendation. Mrs. Mutz announced earlier her family is moving to Lincoln township.

# Crippled Jetliner Crashes In South

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just barely missed it."

The National Transportation Safety Board sent a 12-man team from Washington to try to determine the cause of the crash.

Most of the bodies were taken to a Dallas, Ga., warehouse, about four miles from the crash, where a temporary morgue was set up, a sheriff's spokesman said.

"I think the thing I was most aware of was I wasn't afraid," said Foster. "...I was busy thinking about what I was going to do to survive that I guess I just didn't have time to get scared."

"I don't know how I got out. I just ran," he said.

"It was coming down pretty good until it ... skidded sideways," said Rudy Rackley, a gas station attendant on the highway. "One stewardess came running up and managed to shout, 'Get them out. Get them out.'"

A spokesman for Southern said the crash was the first in Southern's 28-year history involving a regularly scheduled plane.

The Marshall University football team was killed in 1970 when a chartered Southern plane crashed at the Huntington, W. Va., airport.

Yesterday's crash occurred eight days after history's worst aviation disaster, the collision of

a Pan American and a KLM jumbo jet on a runway in the Canary Islands resort of Santa Cruz de Tenerife. The collision killed 577 persons.

## Balanced Budget?

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — A congressional watchdog agency, predicting financial trouble for New York City into the 1980s, warns that further deep cuts in the municipal budget could harm the quality of life for New Yorkers. The three-volume General Accounting Office report issued Monday questioned New York City's hopes for a balanced budget by mid-1978, when its multi-billion dollar federal loan program expires.

## FLORIN FUNERAL SERVICE

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2606 NILES AVENUE  
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926-6147  
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637-1176

George Hooper  
Graveside Rites  
1 p.m. Wednesday  
Evergreen cemetery,  
Evergreen Park, Ill.  
Visitation 7-9 this evening  
South Haven chapel



# Coloma Firm Plans \$750,000 Expansion!

COLOMA — Plans for a \$750,000 expansion at DeGroot, Inc., North Coloma road, were unveiled here last night. The plans were outlined in a request to the Coloma township board for a property tax exemption on the construction. The firm, located in the township, is a grower, packager and processor of bulbs, plants and small fruits.

A public hearing on the request was set for May 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the township hall. Involved will be proposed designation of the firm's site as an industrial development district. Designation is the first step in acquiring a property tax exemption certificate. If eventually approved by the township and state, the addition would

be exempted from half of the property tax rate assessed against it for 12 years. The expansion involves construction of a new building between the firm's existing plant and office building on its 40-acre site.

Atty. John Cook of Kalamazoo, representing the firm, told board members construction of the warehouse part of the new building would result with an additional 50 jobs within the next two years. Firm president, Peter DeGroot, said the other portion of the building will include 10,000 square feet to be used as offices. The new building is needed, according to DeGroot, to meet foreign competition from Europe and Japan and will result with

increased productivity and the rapid growth of the firm.

In other areas, the board unanimously voted against a proposal to locate an adult book store in the basement of a newly-opened beauty salon at 809 Paw Paw Lake road. Supervisor Ewald Eckblom told board members that Ron Essner, husband of the beauty salon owner, asked to get board reaction to the proposal and learn if there were any restrictions against it.

Essner proposes to have the adult book store open from May through October. Eckblom said the township has no restrictions against the store, except a moral one. Prior to the board vote, Jack Page, township clerk and the former Coloma township police

chief, said he was against the proposal, because the building is surrounded by residential areas and young people frequent the nearby bowling alley.

Joining Page in opposing the proposal was Trustee William Kennedy, who said "We don't need one at all." The board approved a request to allow a water ski jump to be placed near the former Strong's resort on Paw Paw lake for use by members of the Chicagoland Water Ski association this summer. Township resident Jacob Thar renewed criticism of the county road commission in maintaining what he termed private roads on Paw Paw Island one and two with public road funds.



**EXPANSION PLANNED:** Plans to construct up to 55,000 square foot expansion at DeGroot, Inc., North

Coloma road, Coloma, were unveiled last night before Coloma township board. Expansion would include

warehouse and offices, costing an estimated \$750,000, to be located in open space in middle of photo, ad-

acent to existing buildings shown in picture. (Cliff Stevens photo)

# Lake Township Balks At County's Charges

By TOM SAWYER  
Staff Writer

BRIDGMAN — The Lake township board wants the

Berrien county board of public works (BPW) to explain what it's doing to earn what could amount to some \$20,000 for ad-

ministering the township's water system construction project.

The board here last night vot-

ed unanimously to table payment of a bill for \$1,186 from the BPW and requested that Robert Barnes, county public

works director, explain the new billing procedure at the board's next meeting.

According to the statement from the BPW, the new billing is based on 4 of one per cent of the construction costs and last night's bill was based on the first bill from the water system contractor, Woodruff & Sons Construction, Michigan City, Ind. Previously, bills for administration and clerical work were on a per hour basis.

The board said the final bill from the BPW could amount to some \$20,000 based on the \$5 million in bonds issued for construction of the second phase of the water system project. The second phase is expanding water service into 90 per cent of the township.

The first construction bill, totaling \$292,206 from Woodruff, is the first for the second phase.

Supervisor Wade Shuler told the board, "They've got (us) over a barrel. I don't like it. We pay for engineers then pay the BPW when we spend money (for construction)." "They don't do that much work," Shuler added.

Clerk Elsie Reck noted that the BPW is administering many such projects for other governmental units. "They can't keep track of the time spent on just one project because it involves many small amounts of time so they've come up with a percentage system."

Trustee LeRoy Gast said he felt the township was "footing the bill...because we're a big project."

Shuler commented after the meeting that he felt there wasn't that much work involved with the township project as there was with some others that involved state and federal funding.

The township project is being financed by the township through bond sales amounting to \$5 million. An initial phase of the system cost \$3 million.

In other business, the board voted to use \$42,000 in federal revenue sharing funds toward the second phase of the water system after a brief public hearing last night.

Shuler said the sharing funds have been used for the water project "ever since we've gotten them." No other suggestions for use of the funds came from the board or the three residents at last night's hearing.

The board voted to draw up a contract for joint operation of the township ambulance service with Bridgman city which will include a yearly cost of \$6,000 to the city and a provision prohibiting use of the ambulance for services other than emergencies.

The board noted that some complaints have been received from residents about the township refuse hauler, Ted Holt, of Sawyer. The complaints were about refuse not being

picked up. The board will contact Holt and attempt to work out any problems.

The board reported that in a special meeting March 21, the lowest of four bids was accepted for water system hookup lines running from the main trunk line to homeowner property lines. The bid was awarded to Thomas Krugler Excavating, St. Joseph, at a cost of \$80 each for roadside work and \$135 each for any hook ups that require going across roads.

At another special meeting March 16, the board hired

George Petzke, Bridgman, as a water plant operator at an annual salary of \$10,000.

Also at that meeting the board voted to make another application for Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) funds from the county for use in a township trash pick up project. The request for the same funds, \$17,875, was turned down last month by the county CETA office.

At last night's meeting, two separate requests for assistance funding were tabled for further study. Tabled was a request

from the Berrien sheriff's department for \$500 toward the Berrien Metro Crime and Drug Enforcement unit. The board also asked for more study of a request from the River Valley Senior Center, Inc. which asked a donation of \$2.95 for each of the 250 senior citizens living in Lake township, which would amount to \$737.50.

The board also approved a resolution transferring \$137,000 left from the first bond issue for water system construction to the account of the second phase of construction.



**NEW LAWYER:** Martin Glista, second from left, was admitted to Michigan bar in ceremony presided over by Judge Meyer Warshawsky, left, yesterday in Van Buren circuit court. At right are Glista's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Glista, route 2, Lawrence. Martin

Glista received law degree from Loyola university, Chicago, and is currently clerk for Illinois state Court of Appeals. Glista said he plans to eventually practice law in Michigan. (Staff photo)

# \$292,743 In Buildings Rising In Buchanan Twp.

BUCHANAN — Buchanan Co-ops Inc. and Buchanan Automotive have been issued building permits with an estimated total construction cost of \$292,743. Building Inspector William McIntosh told the Buchanan township board last night.

McIntosh said the co-ops accounted for the lion's share of the total, with four grain storage bins pegged at \$240,000, and a pole building estimated to

cost \$30,000.

Buchanan Automotive, Post road, was issued a permit yesterday for a 50 by 75-foot addition to a body shop estimated to cost \$22,743, McIntosh said.

Permits for the co-ops' Bakertown road addition were issued last month and construction is already underway.

In other areas, Supervisor Kenneth Jones outlined three roads the board will recommend

for improvements in a meeting with the Berrien county Road commission Thursday. April 7 Jones said the board hopes the base of the roads will be upgraded this summer in order to permit sealing next summer.

The three roads are Bruceus road, between Reed and Miller roads; Wells road from Gallen-Buchanan to Elm Valley road; and Elm Valley from Wells to Boyle Lake.

Jones added that other roads, including a request for improvement to Moccasin Bluff made by Ray Ferris last night, will be considered. He said estimated construction costs for the three specified roads are not yet known.

Also to be brought to the attention of the road commission will be a request made last night by Ginger House, Andrews road, that a missing 25 mile-per-hour sign on the road near her home be replaced.

Also last night, the board took no action on a request from Berrien Sheriff Forrest ("Nick") Jewell for a \$300 contribution for operation of the county metro narcotics-crime unit. The board has not contributed to the unit in the past. Last night's meeting was recorded on tape and Jones said

the practice would continue on a trial basis. He said copies of the tapes will be provided at cost but that the figure had not yet been determined.

Board members will not be able to attend an April 12 meeting with the Buchanan city planning commission because that is the next regular township board session, Jones said. Rev. Keith Morrow, chairman of the city unit, had invited township officials to attend the meeting. Progress on the city's new master plan will be outlined and comments sought from surrounding governments.

The board approved exchange of four street tires for four mud and snow tires for the township fire department grass fire truck at an additional cost of \$100. The tires will be exchanged with Buchanan Co-ops, lowest of three bidders.

The minutes of the board's March 13 meeting reported the board approved purchase of final plans for a proposed township hall addition from Kellogg Architects, Kalamazoo, at a cost not to exceed \$2,500. The plans will include building specifications for the proposed 1,380 square-foot addition that will include more office space and expand the meeting area.



**YOUNG MISS 4-H WINNERS:** Nancy Graham (left), 9, and Lori DeVries (right) 12, were among winners of State Show honors for clothing projects last night at opening night of Berrien County 4-H Spring Achievement program at Lakeshore high school. They participated in Young Miss Dress Revue for girls through 12 years of age; Junior Miss dress revue is scheduled tonight at 7 o'clock, and Senior Misses will parade their clothing creations Wednesday night. Nancy made her patchwork print vest and pants as member of Sodas Community 4-H club. Nancy not only crocheted her own sweater, but also made jumper for her sister, Linda, 5, and brought Linda along to model it. Lori is member of Stewart 4-H club, Stevensville. Nearly 3,000 county youngsters have winter projects of all descriptions on exhibit at three-day show. (Staff photos)

# Rule Allegan Crash Was Death Cause

ALLEGAN — The death Sunday of a young man injured in a car-truck collision Friday has been ruled a traffic fatality, bringing the Allegan county traffic death toll for the year to seven.

Allegan county sheriff's deputies here said Jeff Krotz, 18, Allegan, died of a skull fracture sustained in the crash that also killed a two-year-old Allegan boy, Dale Goodrich. Krotz was driving the car and Dale was a passenger. Two

other passengers, Dale's sister, Benita Goodrich, 14, and Brenda Jones, 14, both of Allegan,

remain hospitalized in Kalamazoo.

The fatality was the fourth in four days on Allegan county roads.

**7 Auto Deaths In Allegan County In 1977**

# Newcomer Tops Bangor Election

BANGOR — Two incumbents and a newcomer won two-year seats on the Bangor city council in the city's annual election here yesterday.

Voters also approved a proposal to revise the city charter and elected a nine-member charter revision commission to recommend charter revisions.

Incumbent Roy Wiles lost his bid for a second city council term. He received 100 votes in the non-partisan election.

The question on whether the city charter should be revised was favored by an unofficial 129

to 40 margin. Elected as a charter revision commission were the only nine people who were candidates for the commission, John Balar, Robert Chandler, Joseph Distefano, Clark Dowell, Janice Dziubinski, Rosemary Inskib, Richard Rosga, William Waite and Marilee Wiles. City officials said 194 people cast votes.

# 'Basketball Diplomacy' Bridging Break With Cuba

HAVANA, Cuba (AP) — "This is the largest group of Americans to come here since the Bay of Pigs," joked Sen. James Abourezk, D-S.D., in an informal speech Monday night. Abourezk was part of a contingent of 100 Americans here for basketball games between a Cuban all-star team and a squad of South Dakota players.

Abourezk, who favors normalizing relations with Cuba, was referring to the unsuccessful 1961 invasion of Cuba by Cuban refugees seeking the overthrow of the Fidel Castro regime. That episode has been a barrier to U.S.-Cuban ties ever since.

Abourezk made his remarks at an informal dinner attended by the players and officials from both teams. The South Dakota

senator headed the touring group, which arrived here Monday and will watch 10 players from the University of South Dakota and South Dakota State take on a powerful Cuban team.

"They'll be tough, but we'll give it our best," said sophomore guard Ryo Hayner of South Dakota State. "I'm happy to represent the United States. I know it's more than a ballgame."

Hayner and his teammates joined their counterparts at a special table at the Monday night dinner.

The three scheduled games were conceived by Abourezk and Sen. George McGovern, D-S.D., as a form of "basketball diplomacy" to bridge a 16-year break in relations between Cuba and the United States.

While both teams practiced today, the large retinue of American tourists were to sight-see around Havana — courtesy of the Cuban government. In the morning the Americans were to be taken through the Plaza de la Revolution and Sports City, a compound that includes the Coliseum, where the games are to be played, and a sports school.

The atmosphere since the American arrival has been jovial and the Cubans have done their utmost to make their visitors feel welcome.

Jorge Garcia Rango, president of the Instituto de Sports, Physical Education and Recreation (INDER), said, "Whatever interests you have during your short stay here, we will try our

very best to fulfill it."

With this trip the South Dakotans were blazing a new frontier, taking part in the first good-will sports trip by Americans into Cuba since 1961.

The political hope of the two senators is that "basketball diplomacy" will open doors the way "ping pong diplomacy" forged a closer relationship between the U.S. and Red China.

"It's not right to have an enemy 90 miles away," Abourezk said. "This trip is a good thing. It is long overdue."

McGovern was to fly to Havana today in time for the opening game tonight. Games against Cuban all-star teams will also be played Wednesday and Thursday nights.

## Aging Hurlers Ready Old Reds, New Mariners Host Openers

From ASSOCIATED PRESS  
For the Cincinnati Reds, this has been their worst spring in a decade. The Seattle Mariners, on the other hand, don't have any previous springs to compare it with.

Baseball's oldest team and one of its two newest have the

### Probable Pitchers

(1976 Win-Loss Records)  
Wednesday  
National League  
San Diego (Jones 22-14) at Cincinnati (Fryman 13-13)  
Only game scheduled.  
American League  
California (Toniou 19-10) at Seattle (Segal 6-9), (A)  
Only game scheduled.  
Thursday  
National League  
St. Louis (Cerveny 11-9) or Falcone 12-14) at Pittsburgh (Rausch 14-9) or Rooker 15-4)  
New York (Seaver 14-11) at Chicago (Harris 15-13)  
Only games scheduled.  
American League  
Chicago (Brett 16-12) or Wood 4-3) at Toronto (Silver 13-10)  
Kansas City (Calhoun 11-4) at Detroit (Roberts 14-17)  
Texas (Blyleven 13-14) at Baltimore (Munier 20-13)  
Milwaukee (Stohs 14-15) at New York (Hunter 12-15)  
Cleveland (Eckersley 13-12) at Boston (Jenkins 12-11)  
California (Ryan 17-18) at Seattle (Bingo 8-1), (A)  
Only Games Scheduled

honor of being the hosts when the 1977 baseball season gets under way Wednesday. And both will have rather ancient hurlers ready to fire the respective first pitches.

Neither Woodie Fryman nor Diego Segui was around when the Reds were born in 1889 — they were known as the Red Stockings then — but both have knocked around the major leagues for quite a while.

Fryman, who will turn 37 next week, was 13-13 with the Montreal Expos last season. He'll be opposed by San Diego's Randy Jones, 22-14 and the National League's Cy Young Award winner, when the Padres invade Riverfront Stadium for the traditional early Cincinnati opener Wednesday afternoon. A

capacity crowd of 52,000 is expected to see the Reds raise the world championship banner for the second year in a row.

It will be a while before the Mariners worry about things like pennants. For the time being, just being in existence is enough after the Seattle Pilots fled to Milwaukee following an ill-fated one-year existence in 1969.

The 36-year-old Segui, who spent last season in the Pacific Coast League where he was 11-5, earned Manager Darrell Johnson's opening day nod. The hope is the expansion Mariners, who won nine of 24 exhibition games, won't be as funny as owner Danny Kaye.

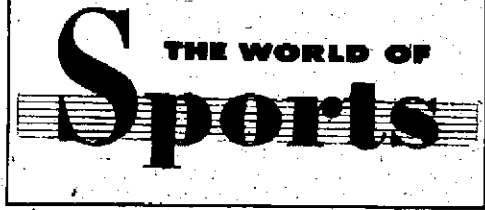
The Mariners' opposition will be 19-game winner Frank

Tanana and the California Angels, the most improved team in the American League West thanks to the signing of free agents Joe Rudi, Bobby Grich and Don Baylor. Upwards of 50,000 are expected for the night game in Seattle's spanking new Kingdome.

Six games are on tap Thursday in the American League — including the unveiling of the other expansion club, the Toronto Blue Jays, who open at home with an afternoon game against the Chicago White Sox — and three in the National. The AL schedule also finds Milwaukee at New York, Kansas City at Detroit, Texas at Baltimore and Cleveland at Boston during the day, with a California-Seattle arclight rerun.

NL games, all in the afternoon, are St. Louis at Pittsburgh, New York at Chicago and San Francisco at Los Angeles.

On Friday night, Atlanta and Houston get under way with a night contest in the Astrodome while Saturday afternoon finds Montreal at Philadelphia. The last two clubs to open will be the AL's Minnesota and Oakland entries, who play an afternoon game in Oakland.



**FARRAH'S FORM FINE:** Model-actress Farrah Fawcett-Majors lets her hair fly as she follows through during tennis match with actor Bill Cosby in television taping of "Challenge of the Network Stars." The action took place in Mission Viejo, south of Los Angeles. Farrah won in a nine-point tiebreaker by a 5-4 score. (AP Wirephoto)

## Referees Vote To Strike NBA

NEW YORK (AP) — The dispute between the National Basketball Association and its referees is heating up as playoff time approaches.

A group of 24 referees met with their attorney, Richie Phillips, in Chicago Monday and voted unanimously to strike the NBA playoffs, which are slated to begin next week. They also authorized, by a 24-0 vote, with a strike call by the group's executive committee during the remaining week of the regular season.

That brought a sharp reaction from league officials. Simon Gourdine, the NBA's deputy commissioner and chief negotiator with the referees, lashed

out at the strike threat in a four-page statement issued Monday night.

"Such an action would be unconscionable, irresponsible and would violate the contracts between officials and the league," Gourdine said. "If such action is taken, the NBA will hold the officials responsible for any damages that may result."

Gourdine said that for the 31 years of its existence, the NBA had negotiated individual contracts with officials and that these contracts provided extra compensation for the playoffs. He said the NBA had not yet been notified that Phillips' group had been certified by the

National Labor Relations Board to represent league officials in collective bargaining, and would not negotiate with the group until such notification is received.

Phillips was scheduled to meet with NLRB officials in Philadelphia today.

"We feel that since the NBA has continued unfair labor practices, we are entitled to strike before the regular season ends," said Phillips in announcing Monday's strike vote. "We leave that question up to the executive committee, which can take up the matter later this week."

The NBA has 26 referees, but veterans Richie Powers and

Earl Strom do not consider themselves part of the association and were not present at Monday's meeting.

"The NBA refuses to negotiate at all," charged Phillips. He said he didn't want to negotiate in the newspapers, but besides increased salaries the referees were known to be seeking a cost of living clause, severance pay, insurance benefits and arbitration in the event officials are dismissed.

Gourdine disputed Phillips' charges. "The repeated statements that the NBA has refused to negotiate are without foundation," Gourdine said.

"The league will meet its

commitments to teams, players and fans concerning playoff games. They will begin on April 12 and they will carry on to their conclusion."

Gourdine said that for the playoffs, "officials with NBA game experience will be used and they will be joined by other competent officials from other professional leagues."

### Wilmot Released

LAKELAND, Fla. (AP) — Bob Wilmot, a former Michigan high school baseball All-Stater from Mount Clemens, Clinton, was released Tuesday by the Detroit Tigers' Lakeland farm club after being unable to overcome a sore shoulder.



## Lonely 'Bird' Recovering

DETROIT (AP) — Lonely and tired of hospital life, the Detroit Tigers' Mark "The Bird" Fidrych told a news conference Monday his injured knee hurts, but "I'm still livin'."

The 22-year-old righthander, recovering from surgery to mend torn cartilage in his left knee, spiked rumors that he actually had injured the knee before he went to Tigers spring training camp at Lakeland, Fla. "That is absolutely untrue," said the Tigers' 19-game winner of last season.

He said the fact that he had played a little winter basketball sent him to training camp in better shape than he would have been otherwise.

"If I hadn't played basketball, I would have been fat and out of shape," he said.

Fidrych said his operation "was not as bad as I had expected" and that he had only a couple of days of real pain.

"I'm feeling good now, although I'm getting claustrophobia," he told reporters, adding, "I do nothing all day, nothing at all and that's the problem. I just sit around and I could do that at home."

He described himself as "not worried about my knee though I

haven't thrown a ball in a long while."

Asked if he might attend the Tigers' opener at Tiger Stadium Thursday, he replied, "Ask the doctors — they haven't told me when I can leave this place."

"I'm not going to hurry it," he said of his probable return to the lineup. Speculation has been that he will not see action at least until May.

Fidrych said he still has some throbbing in his injured knee, but that it is diminishing.

"I could walk on it if I had to," he said.

Fidrych said he missed being at the ball park, but added that it would be tough to be there and realize he could not help.

"Being laid up stinks," he said.

The mop-haired hurler expressed disappointment that he had not been able to receive all the phone calls and visitors he wanted in his Ford Hospital room. He said the Tigers have posted a guard in his suite 24 hours a day to give him absolute privacy — even though he did not ask for it.

"The only calls I got were from newsmen who got the phone number from the Tigers," he said.

## Minnesota, Hawks Shoot For NHL Upsets 'Little Guns' Open Ice Playoffs

From ASSOCIATED PRESS

The National Hockey League Stanley Cup playoffs get underway tonight with the big guns — Montreal, Philadelphia and Boston — on the sidelines and the little guns — Minnesota and Chicago — varin' to go.

"I don't mind playing them," says Chicago Coach Bill White of the New York Islanders, the Hawks' first-round opponent, "because they play a fairly tight defensive game. And if you can get any breaks and score a few goals, they're not that explosive."

"Some clubs in the past have been known to pull surprises in the playoffs," says Minnesota Coach Ted Harris whose North Stars meet the Buffalo Sabres. "All the teams start even, it's a new season for everyone."

With division winners Montreal, Philadelphia, Boston and St. Louis getting first-round

byes, the NHL's second season gets underway tonight with four games. The Islanders host Chicago, the Sabres entertain the North Stars, the Los Angeles Kings welcome the Atlanta Flames and the Pittsburgh Penguins host the Toronto Maple Leafs.

All are best-of-three series. Both the Hawks, who have the worst record among the league's 12 playoff clubs, and the North Stars, who are only one point better, have high hopes of scoring upsets.

The Islanders compiled 108 points over the regular season, 43 more than the Hawks. But White says that doesn't matter. "The playoffs are different. Forget about the past," he says. "They're not going to change their game in the playoffs. And they'll be thinking about the last game we played, the 2-2 tie. We outplayed them for 37 minutes

until they got two goals in tie at the end."

If the Islanders are concerned about Chicago, they aren't showing it.

"If we play our game," says goalie Chico Resch, "there is no problem. But we have to play our game."

The Black Hawk hopes for an upset even given dimmer Monday night when game two was switched to Islander ice. If Chicago is to win the playoff series, they're going to have to do it all on New York ice.

Bill Wirtz, Black Hawk boss, decided to forego the home-ice advantage rather than cancel a sold-out Led Zeppelin rock concert scheduled for the Chicago Stadium. Since NHL rules prohibited the second game from being played in a neutral rink and since the New Yorkers looked unlikely on a Chicago Friday afternoon game, the contest was switched to New York.

The North Stars wound up 40 points behind Buffalo and are hoping to make up for a difference in personnel with youthful enthusiasm. Minnesota, which starts eight rookies, has the least experienced club in

the playoffs. Pittsburgh and Toronto both finished one game above .500 but the Penguins got the home-ice advantage by virtue of more victories.

"Home ice means a lot because the guys always play well here," says Pittsburgh goalie Denis Herron. "If we had to play in Toronto it would be tough."

Atlanta went down to the final day before losing the home-ice advantage to Los An-

geles, a fact duly noted by Flames' Coach Fred Creighton. "Home-ice advantage would certainly have helped our chances of advancing to the second round," said Creighton, "but if we play as well as we are capable of playing, we can still make it difficult for some people."

Kings' Coach Bob Pulford is wary of playing anyone in a short series.

"They're deadly, those best-of-three series," says Pulford.

## Bears Stand Fifth On All-Sports List

St. Joseph stands fifth and Niles sixth in the Big Seven Conference's all-sports listing through winter events.

Battle Creek Lakeview leads with 35 points, followed by Kalamazoo Loy Norris 27, Portage Central 24.5, Portage Northern 22.5, St. Joseph 21.5, Niles 19.5 and Holland 17.0.

Lakeview took a firm hold on first place by winning the swimming and wrestling championships this past winter and sharing first place in basketball with Niles and Loy Norris.

In the women's all-sports standings, St. Joe is tied for third and Niles is first. Battle Creek Lakeview, which took the volleyball title, is first with 22.5 points, followed by Holland 17.0, St. Joseph 16.0, Portage Central 16.0, Portage Northern 15.5, Loy Norris 14.0 and Niles 11.0.

## McNutt, Wright Among All-Stars

Benton Harbor's Steve McNutt and St. Joseph's Dale Wright were among area players named to the Southwestern Michigan Class A All-Star team announced today by the Southwestern Michigan Basketball Coaches Association.

McNutt averaged 18.4 points per game in helping the Tigers gain a share of the LMCA basketball title. The 6-3 senior was the league scoring champ.

Wright was one of the few bright spots for St. Joe, averaging 22.3 points. The 6-5 senior finished with 727 career points, a school career record.

Niles 6-1 senior forward Tim Garner (21.4) was the other area Class A pick.

In Class B, South Haven's forward duo of William Gamble (17.7) and Mike Grimes (16.6) headed the area contingent. Willie Gipson

of Paw Paw (14.4) was the other area pick.

Southwestern Michigan scoring champ Gerald Busby of Buchanan topped the Class C list. Busby, only a junior, finished with a 25.5 average. Finishing the year with 1,004 career points, Busby was named to the Associated Press, United Press International and Detroit News all-state teams.

Joining Busby were Kevin Loder of Cass (20.2), Kurt Wiese of Decatur (15.8), Marcellus Dave Mason and Lonnie Lewis and Ken Lowe of Hartford (13.8).

Court's trio of Jerry Starks (17.7), Robert Maggard (14.6) and James DeBoe (12.8) topped the Class D squad. Bridgman's Bob Linke (19.8), Howie Mutz (14.9) and Bill Moreland (9.6); Bob Guse of Michigan Lutheran (15.5), and Lawton's John Lepley (18.1) rounded out the 'D' team.



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# There's Talk Of Yankee Dynasty In AL East

From ASSOCIATED PRESS

Unless all the odds-makers are wrong and unless a lot of money has been spent in vain, this year's seven-team race in the American League East won't be a race at all.

It'll be six teams squinting into the distance, looking longingly at the New York Yankees.

During the 1976 season the Yanks returned to their glory days of earlier decades. And after it, they went shopping with a vengeance. And without so much as one regular-season pitch this year, the old Yankee word of "dynasty" is being tossed around.

Behind the Yanks, the Cleveland Indians, Boston Red Sox and Baltimore Orioles figure to skirmish their way

through the season for the runner-up spot, perhaps joined by the Detroit Tigers.

The Milwaukee Brewers are likely candidates to finish sixth this year, just as they did last year. The only saving grace is that sixth is no longer last. The Toronto Blue Jays, with only a couple of recognizable names on their expansion roster, seem certain to trail the rest of the field by more than a few lengths.

The Yanks cruised to the divisional title by a healthy 11½ games last year — and they did it without Reggie Jackson, Don Gullett, Paul Blair and Jimmy Wynn.

They did it with Thurman Munson (.362 average, 17 home runs, 105 runs batted in), Mickey Rivers (.312 average, 43

stolen bases), Graig Nettles (league-leading 32 homers, 83 RBI), Chris Chambliss (.293 average, 17 homers, 86 RBI), and pitchers Ed Figueroa (19-10), Dock Ellis (17-8), Catfish Hunter (17-15) and Sparky Lyle (league-leading 23 saves).

Jackson's arrival will probably pump another 30 or so homers and maybe 100 RBI into the Yanks' already awesome attack (he had 27 and 91 in a slightly abbreviated 1976 season at Baltimore). Gullett, one of Cincinnati's younger aces, has amassed a 61-26 record the past four years including 11-3 in an injury-hampered 1976 season.

With all of this, the presumption was that Manager Billy Martin would spend spring training trying to line up some extra World Series tickets for

his cronies.

But he's got a problem ... to which a couple of dozen managers are probably muttering, "We should have such problems!"

Martin's quandary is that with Jackson and Rivers and Blair and Wynn and Roy White and Lou Piniella and Oscar Gamble and Ron Blomberg and others, there are well over a dozen outfielders rumbling around camp looking for a place on the roster.

It would be nice if one or two of those guys played shortstop. It may be the Yanks' only weakness — unless Mickey Klutts comes through. Last year Fred Stanley played the position and, glove-wise, he played it better than anyone else in the league. But he hit a relatively anemic .238 with only one homer

year. Baltimore's entire pitching corps rates no more than a fat question mark at the moment. A year ago, Detroit sprang Mark "The Bird" Fidrych on the world. This year the Tigers are hoping another kid will make that kind of splash. He's 20-year-old Dave Rozema, 12-4 with a minuscule 1.57 earned-run average in the Southern League last year.

Beyond those two and the batting of outfielder Rusty Staub (.288 average, 15 homers, 86 RBI) and Ron LeFlore (.316), Detroit hasn't got much to bank on. If the injury list of last year (LeFlore, Milt May, Aurelio Rodriguez, Dave Roberts, etc.) is shorter, perhaps things will improve.

Sal Bando will give Milwaukee power and leadership.

But the Brewers need an awful lot of both — and contributions from a few other newcomers, too — to get marked improvement.

Cecil Cooper replaces George Scott at first, but won't replace his power. And Milwaukee may not have a replacement for pitcher Jim Colborn, gone to Kansas City.

Roy Harrisfield, manager of the Blue Jays, will find out whether the rest of league has given him a diamond or two in the rough — or saddled him with has-been and never-will-be types. The latter has been the history of expansion. It's likely to be the same this time.

Will Bill Singer be Toronto's version of Roger Craig? Remember him? Craig compiled a 13-9 composite record in

his two final years with Los Angeles, 1968-69. Then he went to the brand-new New York Mets. His composite record in 1962-63 was a terrifying 15-36.

Will Singer, 20-35 over the past two years with Texas and Minnesota, go the same route Craig did? Will Steve Hargan or Pete Vuckovich? Will veterans like Phil Roof, John Lowenstein and Jim Mason, all of whom batted around .300 last year, contribute anything or will Toronto count more heavily on kids with names like Garth Iorg, Butch Edge, Jeff Byrd and Jim Clancy?

Unless there are an awful lot of diamonds in that rough, it won't really matter which way the Blue Jays lean — to experience or youth. They'll end up falling over.

## Sports Capsules

### BASEBALL

MESA, Ariz. — Vida Blue, the Oakland A's ace pitcher, left training camp in an alleged dispute with club owner Charles O. Finley.

### TENNIS

LOS ANGELES — Fourth-seeded Stan Smith upset top-ranked Brian Gottfried 6-4, 2-6, 6-3 in the final of the \$150,000 Pacific Southwest Tennis Championships.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Dr. Renee Richards says she may take legal action if specimens taken here for a chromosome test are not forwarded to the U.S. Tennis Association for testing.

### GOLF

TURNBERRY, Scotland — South Carolina State College took an eight-stroke lead after the first round of the Intercollegiate Team Championship Golf Tournament.

VALMALENC, Italy — Erwin Stricker of Italy won an international giant slalom ski race, finishing .39 seconds ahead of Andreas Wenzel of Liechtenstein.

### ROCKY

NEW YORK — Montreal's Guy Lafleur won the Art Ross Trophy as the National Hockey League's scoring champion and Canadian goalies Ken Dryden and Bunny Larocque captured the Vezina Trophy for the best goals against average.

### BASKETBALL

CHICAGO — Referees in the National Basketball Association voted in favor of striking next week's playoffs and also empowered their executive committee to possibly call a strike before the regular season ends Sunday.

### GENERAL

HOUSTON — O.A. "Bum" Phillips, head coach of the Houston Oilers of the National Football League, was reported in satisfactory condition after precautionary exploratory surgery following a riding accident.

CAMPANO, Italy — Randy Cleek, a motocyclist from Shawnee, Okla., and Kurt W. Kiefer, Cleek's mechanic, were among six victims of a head-on collision between two cars.

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Henry Steinbacher, a former major league player with the Chicago Cubs in the late '30's, died at the age of 64.

## Elder Plays Down Second Masters

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — It's the second time around for Lee Elder.

"It's not such a big deal this time," said Elder, who's looking for more golf and less harassment in his second appearance in the famed Masters tournament. "It's a lot more low-key."

Elder, now 42, created an international sensation two years ago when he won his way into the elite field and became the first black to play in the previously all-white event.

He was subjected to constant attention from the world press. He gave a series of mass press conferences. His every move was spotlighted, commented upon, analyzed.

"One magazine had reporters following me all the time, on and off the course, taking notes, taking pictures," he said. "Then, when I missed the cut, they never used the article."

And it was that failure to

qualify for the final two rounds that bothered Elder.

"I guess a lot of people thought I was playing for my race," he said. "That's not it at all. I didn't think of it that way. I was playing for Lee and (wife) Rose Elder. With all the media attention, I was under a lot of pressure — and it had a whole year in build up. For almost a year before I got here, everything was the Masters. I put a lot of pressure on myself."

"It was not Lee Elder's golf game they saw the last time. That's what bothered me. I swore I'd win my way back and show the world I'm a better player than that."

He went into a decline immediately after his 1975 Masters appearance. He won only \$26,000 for the year, the second lowest figure of his career.

But he bounced back last

year, collecting a career high \$113,263. More importantly, he won the Houston Open — his second tour title — and again qualified for the Masters. He also finished second in Pensacola, third at Pleasant Valley and fourth in New Orleans.

The victory in Houston was the key. It gave him a return ticket to Augusta — his principal goal since he'd missed the Masters cut in 1975.

"I think most of the people around me were more nervous than I was," he said, "and that kind of gets to you, doesn't let you leave the game at the golf course. There were parties every night that we had to go to."

"This year, we've just got a few close friends with us. It's going to be a lot more quiet, not so many parties, not so many distractions, not so many pressures."

"This time I can try to play some golf."



THAT MASTERS LOOK: Arnold Palmer (right) watches his shot during practice round Monday for the Master's Golf Tournament at Augusta, Ga. At left is Tom Weiskopf. Masters play begins Thursday. (AP Wirephoto)

## TV Considering LeFlore Movie

LAKELAND, Fla. (AP) — Ron LeFlore, the Detroit Tigers' All-Star centerfielder who spent 3½ years in prison, says television is considering making a movie about him.

LeFlore, with the Tigers at their spring training baseball camp in Lakeland, said,

"Nothing has been signed yet," but that CBS "bought the rights" to a script written by Mike and Carol Raschella.

He said Mike Raschella "came down in 1975 and stayed with me about 10 days in Detroit" to gather material for the screenplay.

Bob Woolf, LeFlore's attorney who was in Lakeland to talk with him about the deal, is handling the negotiations, LeFlore said.

He said he thought Universal Studios would make the film for CBS and that LaVar Burton, who played young Kunta Kinte in the TV movie "Roots," may play the lead role.

A book on LeFlore's life has been written by Jim Hawkins, Detroit Free Press baseball writer, but won't be out "until next year," Hawkins said.

LeFlore was signed to a Tiger minor league contract in 1973 while serving a sentence in Southern Michigan Prison at Jackson for armed robbery.

He was paroled early so he could play ball and in about a year had moved up to the Tigers.

LeFlore stole 23 bases in his half season stay in 1974. In 1975, he stole 28, and last year he pilfered 58, batted .318, scored 93 runs and had the longest hitting streak in the American League in 27 years — 30 games.



BLUE LEAVES: Oakland A's pitcher Vida Blue left the team's training camp at Mesa, Ariz., Monday. Blue has not been able to renegotiate his contract. And he says A's owner Charlie Finley reneged on a promise he made never to sell him to another club. (AP Wirephoto)

## Waltrip Moves Up

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Darrell Waltrip's victory in the Rebel 500 at Darlington, S.C., has moved him into third in Grand National point standings of the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing.

Waltrip has 1,106 points after Sunday's victory. Defending champion Cale Yarborough leads with 1,180 points and Richard Petty has 1,115.

Next in order are Buddy Baker 1,006; Benny Parsons 985;

Dave Marcis 932; Cecil Gordon 866; Richard Childress 860 and James Hylton 789.

Yarborough leads in earnings with \$108,365, followed by Petty \$60,825; Parsons \$62,615; Waltrip \$62,525; Baker \$57,955; Marcis \$58,315; Neil Bonnett \$34,105; David Pearson \$33,525; Richard Brooks \$30,285 and Donnie Allison \$27,745.

The next race is the Southeastern 500 on April 17 at Bristol, Tenn.

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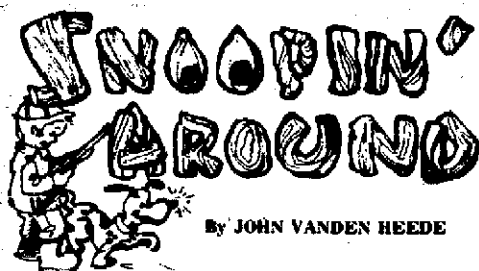
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By JOHN VANDEN HEED

## Nye Makes Guard Team

Atty. Jerry Nye of St. Joseph is a real straight shooter. Nye recently qualified for the all-National Guard rifle and pistol team during 10 days of tryouts in Phoenix, Ariz.

Nye averaged 485 out of a possible 500 while firing with a M-14 rifle at ranges of 200 to 600 yards. Nye's shooting, which was done with regular military sights, included the standing position at 200 yards, rapid fire sitting at 200, rapid fire prone at 300 and slow fire prone at 600. The bullseye in the 600 yards event was 10.5 inches in diameter.

Nye, the son of the late Harry Nye and an associate attorney with Taylor & Yampolsky in St. Joseph, will now compete in various regional and inter-service matches, along with the

national shoot at Camp Perry, Ohio, in August.

Nye developed an interest in shooting through hunting as a farm boy and competitive firing followed. "Anytime someone wants to give me a gun and some free ammunition, I can be had," declares Nye.

Nye's first real competition came while a student at Michigan State University. He shot for the Air Force ROTC squad. He made all-Big Ten and helped his team to a national ROTC championship.

Nye then went on active duty for eight years, reaching the rank of captain. In the Air Force he shot on the all-Strategic Air Command team and the all-Air Force squad.

He's now a member of the Air Force National Guard's 126th Air Refueling Wing stationed at O'Hare Airport in Chicago... serving as the unit's staff judge advocate.

Nye earned a shot at qualifying for the all-National Guard rifle and pistol team by winning the Illinois state championship last year and placing third in the annual all-guard matches at Little Rock, Ark.



**STRAIGHT SHOOTER:** Atty. Jerry Nye of St. Joseph is a member of the all-National Guard rifle and pistol team. He made the team by averaging 485 out of a possible 500 during recent qualifying matches in Phoenix, Ariz. Nye, a captain with the Air National Guard, fires a M-14 rifle. (Staff photo)

## Big Chinook Being Taken

Consistent chinook catches off New Buffalo are an added angling attraction to the Lake Michigan spring fishery.

Darrel Allen, chief of the

southwestern Michigan Department of Natural Resources district, says chinook fishermen at New Buffalo have been having a "fantastic time."

Anglers have been taking numerous chinook in the 12 to 18 pound class while fishing in 45 to 50 feet of water and 25 to 40 feet down. One young fisherman returned to port with three coho and two chinook (one weighing 17½ pounds) and declared that New Buffalo was the best fishing spot in the Midwest, according to a DNR report.

Meanwhile, coho in the 1½ to 2½-pound range are being taken all along the southwestern Michigan shoreline. Many are being taken close to shore and near the surface.

Trollers are using the usual lures, with the tiny tadpole again a favorite. But pier fishermen are having good luck while fishing with nightcrawlers and bobbers.

Lake Michigan fishermen are also picking up some steelhead and brown trout. Among the browns taken was one caught off Saugatuck which weighed 12 pounds, 7 ounces.

Steelhead continue as the main attraction on the St. Joseph River below the Berrien Springs dam. Alvin Aldridge, the ranger of Sharnock Park, checked 80 fishermen with 16 steelhead Sunday. He says spawn sacks and gold flatfish seem to be the best lures.

Anglers below the dam are also picking up some catfish. Aldridge checked one which weighed 14½ pounds.

Dip netting success at the dam got off to a good start on opening day last Friday, with one netter taking more than 100 suckers, but catches have generally dropped off since.

Other rivers where steelhead and brown trout are hitting include the Black at South Haven up to the I-196 bridge and the lower portion of the Kalamazoo River.

Meanwhile, fishing success on inland lakes across southwestern Michigan has generally been slow, according to the DNR.

### DUCKBLIND CHECK

You can get some idea of how effectively you have concealed yourself in a duckblind by observing the way crows react as they fly over. If the crows detect you, they'll swerve in their flight. This usually indicates a need for additional work on your blind.

## Dip Permit Not Needed

Michigan has a new law requiring dip netters to have permits, but Department of Natural Resources district chief Darrel Allen says dippers below the Berrien Springs dam without permits won't be arrested.

Allen says "nobody is ready to handle the permits," so conservation officers this year will just be telling dippers permits are now required. They will also help make arrangements to obtain the permits.

The new bill also requires the marking of dip net equipment to identify its owner and regulates the placement of dip nets near dams. It also provides for the removal of the gear after the season.

time the hunting season so hens are seldom encountered.

"Hens are most likely to be on their nests during morning hours," he says. "We end the season at noon which gets hunters out of the woods when hens are more apt to be moving around."

Because of the severe winter, Janson says hunting may not be as good in the Baldwin Area and possibly at Allegan this year as it was last year. Last year's harvest set a record with 397 turkeys bagged by hunters — up from the previous year's 349 which also set a record.

To acquaint hunters and other interested persons with the wild turkey, Janson says that the Michigan Wild Turkey Federation and the Fisheries and Wildlife Club, a Michigan State University organization, will sponsor a workshop at the university's Natural Resources Building in East Lansing on April 16 at 10 a.m. Registration at the door is \$2. Courses will include hunting techniques, calling, scouting and signs, decoys and photography.

## Outdoor Trail

## Successful Hunters Will Be 'Real Turkeys'

"Gil-obble-obble!" On clear mornings this time of year, the mating call of a wild male turkey can shatter the quiet of daybreak and be heard for over a mile.

It's usually the call of the gobble (or Tom) that attracts a harem of hens. The Department of Natural Resources says, but this year, 6,195 Michigan hunters will try to turn the tables by imitating a hen in the hopes it will bring a gobble into range.

The 1977 turkey hunting season opens in special areas near Allegan, Baldwin and Mio, running from the end of April to mid-May.

Everybody has heard expressions like "that guy's a real turkey," or "last night's party sure was a turkey," which cast doubts on the bird's mental prowess and status as a member of the animal kingdom.

Actually, however, hunters have found the turkey to be a very hard fellow to outsmart.

"They're so alert and extremely wary," says DNR wildlife biologist Vic Janson. "Their eyesight is fantastically good. They see any little

movement. They present difficulties to turkey hunters.

"First, the hunter has to do a lot of planning. He must have a call and use it effectively to make the yelp of a hen and try to entice a gobble to approach him. Even then, many times it

is difficult to get the gobble to come in because he may have a whole harem of hens with him.

"Then if he does approach, he does it very quietly and cautiously. If he detects movement, he's gone. Turkeys run very fast for short distances and, being a bird of mature woodlands, they can rapidly escape into the trees. Almost all of them escape by running, not flying, even though the wild turkey is a strong flier."

Janson adds another difficulty facing the hunter:

"The gobbling activity takes place just prior to and just after daylight. A hunter must be out at that time if he wants a good chance of getting a turkey."

Locating the turkeys may also present a problem. "Turkeys wander a great deal," Janson says. "Many cover two square miles a day without any set pattern. They may use a roost one day and another one the next."

DNR wildlife biologists estimate there are roughly 8,000 wild turkeys in Michigan. These are offspring of several which were restocked by the DNR during the 1950s after nearly a half century of being gone from Michigan. Despite this relatively small population, Janson says that limited hunting in the spring is completely safe.

"Even if we lost 50 percent during the winter, taking a few gobblers in the spring would not endanger the turkey population in future years," he says.

"The spring season is safe because mating has already taken place and only the gobblers are hunted. We try to

## New Information Center Is Open

Better and faster service to the people of Michigan is the goal of the new DNR Information Services Center (ISC) in Lansing, says the Department of Natural Resources.

The center, now "open for business" on the seventh floor of Lansing's Mason Building, will coordinate and distribute all popular information materials developed by DNR divisions and program staffs.

"For the first time in many years," says Information and Education Division chief Richard Lehman, "people who want to obtain publications on such subjects as forestry, wildlife, fish, parks, geology and environmental programs can get them in one place."

Written requests for all publications should be addressed to: Information Services Center, Department of Natural Resources, Box 30028, Lansing, Michigan 48909.

"In addition," says Lehman, "our ISC staff will operate the department's main telephone line — (517) 373-1220 — to answer general inquiries or place callers in direct contact with DNR specialists who have information being sought. Due to a tight budget, however, the center's call number is not toll free."

ISC Supervisor Mary McNeely says most DNR brochures, booklets and information sheets are available without charge. Highly technical reports must be obtained from the individual divisions, although a file copy of each report will be maintained

at the center, she said.

Topographic maps, Michigan rock collection kits and the "popular" publications from Geology Division will be sold at the center, as will county maps, current issues of the "Michigan Natural Resources" magazine, Living Resources program arm patches, decals, posters and color portraits.

The center will act as a sales agent for Hillsdale Educational Publishers, Inc. by handling the following Department-originated books: "Mother Nature's Michigan" by DNR ARTIST Ozz Warbach, "Michigan Trees Worth Knowing," "Michigan Rocks and Minerals," and "Michigan Wildlife Sketches."

The ISC also will have on hand hunting and fishing licenses, put-and-take pheasant permits (during the season), campground reservation forms and annual state park entrance permits. The DNR's film loan service is now operated within the new center as part of a plan to offer "one-stop" service.

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## Outdoor Calendar

**APRIL 7**  
Meeting of the Interdepartmental Environmental Review Committee at 9 a.m. in Baker-Olin Building at Lansing.

**APRIL 10**  
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# It's Prison For Searls' Assailant

The assailant of well-known Benton Harbor street cleaner John Searls, 61, who was stabbed 42 times with a pair of scissors, was sentenced yesterday in Berrien Circuit court to 25 to 50 years in prison.

Judge Zoe S. Burkholz imposed the sentence on Steve E. Alsop, 19, of Crest Hill, Ill., for assault with intent to rob while armed. Alsop's brother, Bruce, 23, is awaiting sentencing on the

same charge. Searls was stabbed 42 times in the head, chest, and stomach Jan. 1 at his home at 2125 Territorial road, Benton township. A written confession in Steve Alsop's court file says he did the stabbing while his brother was in a car outside, and Bruce later entered the home and stopped the attack.

Searls was not robbed during the attack, and has since recovered and returned to work.



STEVE E. ALSOP  
Long prison term

# Judge Won't Drop Mrs. Ford Charge

By SCOTT WILLIAMSON  
Staff Writer

Berrien Circuit Judge Zoe S. Burkholz Monday denied a defense motion seeking to dismiss a charge against Mrs. Helen Ford of obtaining more than \$100 under false pretenses while she was executive director of Berrien County Action, Inc. (BCA).

During the same hearing, Judge Burkholz deferred on a ruling on a defense motion to change the venue of Mrs. Ford's trial from Berrien county until an attempt is made to select a

jury from the county. Trial for Mrs. Ford, now of Chicago, on the charge that she used false pretenses to obtain \$3,900 in back wages from the BCA board of directors, is scheduled to begin May 24. A trial on another charge against Mrs. Ford that she used false pretenses to obtain a \$3,500 car loan from Inter-City Bank was adjourned from June 1 when attorneys for both sides agreed during the hearing yesterday.

Judge Burkholz denied a motion from Defense Atty. Benjamin Logan seeking to quash

the information, which would dismiss the charge. "The whole thing is confused but there is evidence in the preliminary examination that gave the district judge reason to believe an offense was committed and to believe that Mrs. Ford committed it," the judge ruled.

Mrs. Ford was bound over to circuit court by District Judge Ronald Taylor.

Logan had argued that the charge had "no merit as to facts or law," and claimed the money was owed to Mrs. Ford as back wages and she played no role in obtaining it, since the BCA board voted her the money.

Prosecutor John Smetanka countered that the money came from a fund which, according to federal regulations, cannot be used for salaries, and the false pretenses came from Mrs. Ford allegedly telling the board there were funds available for the back wages.

On the change of venue motion, Judge Burkholz noted that although Mrs. Ford was well-known in Benton Harbor, jurors are selected from the entire county and "all people just don't read the newspapers as closely as we do."

# Hearing Scheduled In Coloma Twp.

COLOMA — The Coloma township planning commission has scheduled an April 25 public hearing on a rezoning request of developers who want to put up two apartment buildings on Johnson road.

Charles Abrams, planning commission secretary, said the hearing will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Coloma township hall.

Developers want seven lots rezoned from commercial to multi-family use so they can put up two buildings, each containing four apartments in the Hickory Grove subdivision.

The land is now owned by Mr. and Mrs. S.D. Tacy of Coloma. The developers have been identified only as James G. and Harold Fulton.

# Court Hearing Asked In Sodus Attack Case

A 61-year-old Sodus township farm worker was arraigned in Berrien District court yesterday on two counts of assault with intent to commit murder.

William T. Cooper, 61, of 3848 Naomi road, demanded a preliminary examination on the charges and was returned to jail in lieu of \$20,000 bond set by Judge Leo Cook.

He is accused of firing a shotgun at two women Sunday and wounding them both in the back with shotgun pellets on Pipestone road about a quarter mile north of the Sodus village business district.

Wounded were Virginia Lee Johnson, 45, of 124 Benton street, Benton Harbor, and Gladys Mae Harrison, 48, of Sodus township. Mrs. Johnson was treated and released from Mercy hospital, Benton Harbor, and Mrs. Harrison was hospitalized at Mercy.

Cynthia M. Stokes, 23, of

South Bend demanded preliminary examination on a charge of possession of cocaine. State police of the Niles post reported a car she was driving was involved in a collision early Monday with a truck on US-31 south of Niles. Troopers said a small amount of suspected cocaine was confiscated after the crash. No one was injured.

Also demanding a preliminary examination was Jimmie R. Johnson, 26, formerly of New Buffalo, on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon (a meat fork) against Shirley Johnson in New Buffalo July 16, 1976. Johnson, who was returned to Berrien county from Huntsville, Ala., was jailed in lieu of \$25,000 bond.

Sentenced yesterday and Saturday were: Larry Andrews, 19, of 504 Territorial road, Benton Harbor, \$101 fine and costs for receiving and concealing stolen property under \$100 — license plates in Benton township Sept. 14; also, \$122 or 30 days in jail for shoplifting lunch meat at Family Foods, Benton township, Sept. 15.

Robert L. Goyer, 29, of 1405 Marion avenue, St. Joseph, 20 days for contempt — failure to pay \$15 due March 11. The fine stemmed from a Feb. 22 conviction of cashing an insufficient fund check less than \$50. Gerald G. Barker, 27, Benton township, \$200 or 90 days for probation violations — failure to pay fine and costs of \$200; failure to report; and failure to obtain employment. The proba-

tion stemmed from a May 13, 1976, conviction of malicious destruction of property under \$100.

Nancy C. Stuck, 18, of 195 Eloise drive, Benton township, 15 days for probation violations — failure to report and failure to pay fines and cost of \$250. The probation stemmed from a Feb. 20, 1976, conviction of conspiracy to commit petty larceny.

Gary J. Shonin, 25, of Grand Rapids, \$152 for driving under the influence of intoxicants in Lincoln township April 1.

James J. Bowker, 22, of 1649 Oak street, Niles, \$53 for possession of an illegally taken fish (a speared salmon) in Buchanan township Nov. 1.

Anthony G. Marmina, 18, of 1805 US-31 North, Benton township, \$121 for shoplifting tennis shoes from Bargain Center, Benton township, March 31.

James K. Watson, 21, of Lansing, \$100 and six months probation for use of marijuana and possession of fireworks in Benton township April 1.

Sentenced for the following violations were: Use of marijuana: Thomas J. Marciniak, 17, of South Bend; William H. Galliton, 23, of Muskegon Heights; Marvin C. Smith, 19, of Muskegon; and William G. Shannon, 31, of 393 Park street, Benton Harbor, each \$50.

Impaired driving: Allister Mosley, 26, of Grand Rapids, \$152 or 30 days; and James M. Steinke, 22, of 3939 Hicks avenue, Benton township, \$125 or 25 days.

Pleading innocent to charges of receiving and concealing stolen property under \$100 were Charles W. Harris, 30, of 1251 Jennings avenue; Clem H. Horton Jr., 24, of 741 McAllister avenue; and N. L. Thomas, 50, of 406 Brunson avenue, all of Benton Harbor.

They are accused of possessing a 1960 Oldsmobile that was reported stolen Sunday from the Robert Clapsaddle farm, Hagar township, according to state police of the Benton Harbor post.

Judge Leo K. Cook released the defendants on \$1,000 personal recognizance bonds to await trial.

# BH, BARODA MEN Rapists Get Maximum Sentences

Two sex offenders were sentenced yesterday in Berrien Circuit court to the maximum possible prison sentences for what Berrien Circuit Judge William S. White called "very vicious" rapes.

Sentenced to 10 to 15 years in prison for second degree criminal sexual conduct was Robert A. Wagner, 20, of Russell road, Baroda. He was charged with raping a woman Nov. 18 in New Troy at knifepoint.

"The court feels if this case had gone to trial you would have been convicted of first degree criminal sexual conduct, which carries a maximum sentence of life imprisonment," White told Wagner.

He called the attack a "very vicious rape," and noted the victim "was a 20-year-old lady whose five-year-old daughter was in the car at the time of the offense."

Receiving a 3 to 5-year prison term from White for assault with intent to commit second degree criminal sexual conduct was Mark A. Jefferson, 21, of 320 Brunson avenue, Benton Harbor.

He was accused of assaulting a 42-year-old woman at gunpoint Oct. 24 in Benton Harbor. "In all candor, I should tell you this

could easily have been a life maxi 7gan offense," White told Jefferson. "The charge was reduced to save the victim from having to relive this at trial."

"It was a very vicious, unprovoked sexual assault," the judge said, "and I can assure you that if you're recommended for early release (from prison) I'm going to disapprove."

In other sentences by White: Fred D. Pruitt, 24, of 322 Ironwood drive, Niles, was sentenced to 18 to 30 months in prison for attempted entering of Falvey's men's store in Niles without breaking Sept. 8.

Eric D. Lewis, 18, of 2040 Red Arrow highway, Benton township, got a 5 to 15-year prison sentence for breaking and entering the residence of Ralph Antes, at 5836 Hagar Shore road, Coloma township, on Dec. 17.

In sentences by Judge Zoe S. Burkholz: Mitchell Floyd, 29, of Grand Rapids, was sentenced to 20 to 30 months in prison for attempted receiving and con-

cealing stolen property — a car — valued at more than \$100 Jan. 17 in Benton township.

Jonathan R. Cooper, 32, of New Buffalo, was placed on two years probation and assessed \$850 fine and costs for posses-

sion of marijuana with intent to deliver Jan. 17 in New Buffalo township.

Judge Chester J. Byrns imposed a 16 to 24-month prison term on Leonard Smith, 20, of Benton Harbor, for three probation violations — failing to report to his probation officer, get work, and pay fine and costs. Smith was placed on three years probation in May, 1976, for attempted larceny in a building.

Carl D. Clark, 31, of St. Joseph, pleaded guilty before Byrns to a charge of accosting and soliciting a minor, a 12-year-old girl, for immoral purposes in July and August, 1975, in Benton Harbor. Clark is a former St. Joseph fireman.

In arraignments before Judge Burkholz:

Charlotte Inez Kent, 33, of 317 St. Joseph street, Watervliet, pleaded innocent to a charge of possession of amphetamines March 12 in Coloma township.

Thomas L. Simpson, 19, of 2291 Lawrence drive, Benton township, pleaded innocent to a charge of armed robbery of cash from Barbara Morris with a rifle Feb. 28 at the Cass Dairy store in Benton township.

In an arraignment before White, David C. Crockett, 27, of 101 Sycamore street, Three Oaks, pleaded guilty to third degree criminal sexual conduct — the rape of a young woman in New Buffalo township on Feb. 22.



DENIAL: Head of the Federal Energy Administration Monday denied a report that President Carter's son Chip, above, is under investigation in connection with alleged fuel allocation irregularities in the Georgia state energy office. (AP Wirephoto)

# Coloma Clean-Up Slated Next Week

COLOMA — The annual Coloma Spring Clean-Up will be the week of April 11-15, according to City Clerk Patricia Beczky.

City public workers crews will collect rubbish placed in plastic bags alongside the road. Garbage cannot be included in the

refuse bags.

City crews will collect refuse under the following schedule: south of Center street, Monday and Wednesday, April 11 and 13; north of Center street, Tuesday and Thursday, April 12 and 14; and the entire city on Friday, April 15.

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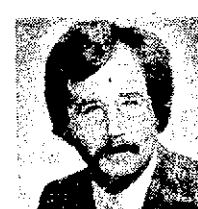


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NEW CAREER: Band Brooks, who played several hundred movie and TV roles during career that began in the 1920s, has a new business: he operates an ambulance service in Glendale, Calif. His most recent television appearance was three years ago on an "Adam 12" episode. (AP Wirephoto)

# Parole Board Is 'Immune'

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Members of the state parole board are immune from lawsuit over crimes committed by parolees, the state Court of Appeals has ruled.

The court upheld an Oakland County Circuit Court ruling which dismissed a suit filed by the father of a woman killed by a parolee. He sought damages from members of the Michigan Bureau of Pardons and Paroles, the director of the Michigan Department of Correction and the state Corrections Commission.



# Legislator Is Mother Of Year

DETROIT (AP) — A 53-year-old mother of five who was the first woman to represent the northern Lower Peninsula in the Michigan House was named the state's Mother of the Year Monday.

State Rep. Connie Binsfeld, R-Maple City, received the award from the Michigan State Mothers Committee in ceremonies here.

"I am thrilled and deeply honored," she said. "My career as a wife and mother has been both fulfilling and satisfying. My family is a constant source of joy."

Mrs. Binsfeld is the mother of four sons and a daughter.

John is a Traverse City businessman. Greg teaches math at St. Mary's High School in Lake Leelanau and Paul is a radio broadcaster at WLDR in Traverse City. Michael is an engineering student at Michigan Technological University and Susan teaches in the Traverse City School District.

A native of Munising, Mrs. Binsfeld was graduated from the William G. Mather High School, where her mother taught for 40 years. She received a degree in secondary education from Siena Heights College in Adrian and later did post graduate work in political science at Wayne State University.

Mrs. Binsfeld began her career as a teacher in Pontiac. In 1947, she married John Binsfeld of Grosse Pointe Woods, a consulting engineer. The Binsfelds lived in Royal Oak, Huntington Woods and Birmingham

for 20 years.

The family later moved to Glen Lake, and in 1968 Mrs. Binsfeld turned to politics to "help make democracy work at the grass roots level." She was the first woman elected to the Leelanau County Commission and served two terms.

She currently is serving her second term in the House and is assistant majority whip.

Gov. William Milliken said in a prepared statement that Mrs. Binsfeld has "earned the respect and admiration of her colleagues."

Mrs. Binsfeld, who believes raising children is "a responsibility and privilege that should not be taken lightly,"



CONNIE BINSFELD  
State Representative  
Is Mother Of Year

will attend the American Mothers Convention next month in New York.

## Flood Insurance Fund Mess Denied

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Department of Housing and Urban Development is denying charges that the finances of the \$40 million-a-year federally subsidized flood insurance program are hopelessly confused.

"The problems were taken care of some time ago. Our financial records here are straight," a HUD spokesman said in response to the charge.

The General Accounting Office, a congressional watchdog agency, said Monday neither the U.S. agency nor the private insurance firms responsible for the program have control over its finances.

The GAO told Housing and Urban Development Secretary Patricia Harris that because accurate financial records are unavailable budgets cannot be prepared properly.

The GAO said an auditing firm it hired to look into the program estimated it would take two years to straighten out the books, "if it is at all possible."

The program is the responsibility of the Federal Insurance Administration and the National Flood Insurers' Association, a pool of private firms. Sen. Thomas Eagleton, D-Mo., who requested the GAO study, said he would conduct hearings next week into its findings.

## Probationary Ruling Upheld

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Probationary teachers are not entitled to a hearing when a school district refuses to rehire them, the state Court of Appeals has ruled.

The court upheld a decision by Kalamazoo County Circuit Court Judge Patrick McCauley in a suit filed by two probationary teachers employed by the Kalamazoo School District.

The teachers were on probation for two years, and then were notified in writing they would not be rehired the following year. They filed suit, asking for reinstatement, and argued they were entitled to a hearing before losing their jobs.

# Court To Hear Pure Air Battle

By RICHARD CARELLI  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government's concern over clean air is making some manufacturers gag, and they want the Supreme Court to supply a remedy.

The high court agreed Monday to hear the appeal of industry representatives who contend that the Environmental Protection Agency exceeded its authority when it ordered states to take extra pains to protect

areas that now have clean air. The EPA says it will not allow "significant deterioration" of the air quality in those areas, which are located in mostly rural states or in sections of states with little manufacturing.

Manufacturers who want the court to strike down the cleanair regulations say the rules will prohibit industrial growth by curtailing the location and number of new plants. The U.S. Circuit Court of Ap-

peals in Washington has ruled that the EPA is authorized to enforce the stronger rules.

In other matters Monday, the court: —Turned down an appeal by Eugene McCarthy, who wanted to force the Federal Communications Commission to order equal air time for "major" candidates not allowed to participate in future televised presidential debates.

—Ruled against former Illinois Gov. Daniel Walker

when it let stand a lower court's decision that governors and other state officials can be sued for issuing unfavorable statements about fired state employees if the workers were not given a pre-firing hearing.

—Handed states a significant victory in ruling that mail-order businesses can be taxed by a state if the firms maintain offices, even for an unrelated purpose, in that state. The justices unanimously decided that the National Geographic Society

was legally taxed by California even though its two one-man offices in the state at the time played no part in the society's mail-order business.

—Set aside the death sentence of a Florida death row inmate convicted of murdering a state trooper. The high court held that Carl Ray Songer's sentence should not be allowed to stand because it was based in part on a "confidential" report the defendant never saw.

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### Music Boosters Begin Birthday Calendar Sale

SOUTH HAVEN — The Instrumental Music Boosters club here has launched its annual Community Birthday calendar sales campaign to raise money for school orchestras and bands. Orders can be placed with band or orchestra members, a club spokesman said.

### New Buffalo Parade Applications Are Ready

NEW BUFFALO — Applications to enter the July 3 New Buffalo Heritage Days parade can be obtained from Mrs. Kenneth Vollink and Mrs. Clarence Kerous, parade co-chairmen.

They said there are applications available for units for floats, horse, antique cars, children, marching bands, color guards, classic cars, drill teams, pooper scoopers, bicycles and organization.

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# Funeral Alternatives: Cremation, Donation

## People Turning To Substitute Rituals

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the last of two articles on the cost of funeral services. The first appeared in the traditional funeral.

By LOUISE COOK  
Associated Press Writer

"Death is inevitable... high-cost death arrangements are not."

That statement comes from a handbook on death and funerals prepared by the Seattle office of the Federal Trade Commission. It reflects the sentiments of a growing number of Americans who are looking for lowest alternatives to the traditional funeral and burial.

In a new book, "The Way We Die," author David Dempsey writes: "Society has always

employed some kind of ceremony that does more than simply dispose of the body; a custom so universal can hardly be without meaning. Yet it is a custom that is gradually declining as more and more people turn to substitute rituals."

These substitute rituals include cremation and simple, inexpensive funerals arranged well before death. The donation of all or part of the body to medical research also is an alternative to the standard funeral.

Because funerals are so traditional, there can be confusion over the substitutes. Here is a look at some of the details:

**CREMATION**  
The Continental Association of Funeral and Memorial Societies, which is dedicated to providing low-cost death arrangements to its members, estimates that 5 to 6 per cent of all bodies in the United States are cremated every year.

Cremation is the reduction of the human remains to ashes. In some places, religious groups or private citizens may obtain the necessary death certificate and permits for transportation and cremation, enabling the family to deal directly with a crematorium. In other places, a funeral director is required.

Even with cremation, you still must decide what to do with the remains. Cremation also does not preclude a funeral ceremony with the body present. The funeral industry calls this "cremation after viewing." If you choose this option you will be faced with the same decisions and many of the same costs as you would if you chose the standard adult funeral followed by burial in a cemetery.

You will have to select a casket and decide whether you want the body embalmed. The FTC's Seattle office says that you may be able to eliminate the cost of a casket by placing the body on a day bed or couch. The funeral home also may

loan you a casket for viewing purposes, although some states do not allow the reuse of a coffin.

Immediate cremation — without any viewing of the body — eliminates most of the costs associated with the funeral. Embalming usually is not necessary. State laws generally do not require the purchase of a casket for cremation. Some funeral homes insist on the use of a container, but a fiberboard or plain wooden box may be sufficient.

After cremation, the deceased's remains may be scattered — although a few states prohibit this practice — or returned to the family for placement in an urn or other container.

**MEMORIAL SOCIETIES**  
Dempsey, in "The Way We Die," says, "The most active challenge to accepted funeral practices comes from the nonprofit funeral and memorial societies which have sprung up in 120 cities in the United States and Canada. Although total membership is relatively small — about 500,000 — these societies augur a rapidly growing consumer consciousness about death."

A memorial society is a nonprofit organization of people who have banded together to seek simplicity and economy in

funeral arrangements through advance planning. Members pay a small fee — usually less than \$20 — and in exchange receive information about funeral costs and how to cut them. Some societies also arrange with local undertakers to provide simple funerals for members at specified costs.

"The whole emphasis is on

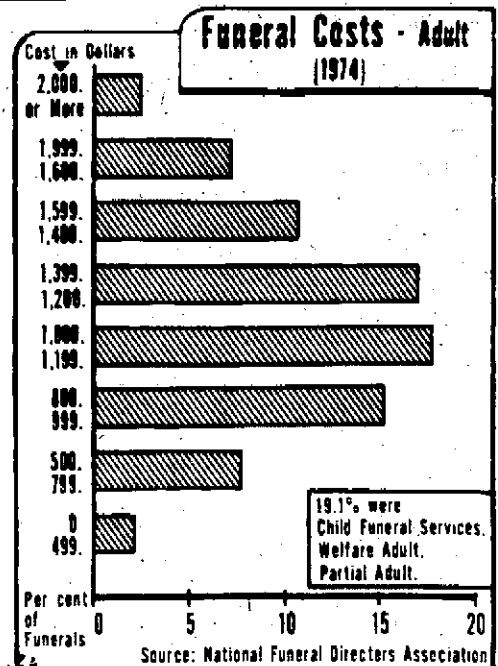
nonsectarian. Further information is available from the Continental Association of Funeral and Memorial Societies, Suite 1100, 1828 L St. N.W., Washington, D.C., 20036.

**ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATIONS**

"If cost is a primary concern to you, the over-all lowest-priced alternative in making death arrangements is to donate the body to medical research," says the Seattle office of the FTC.

The office also notes that such donations should be prearranged. For information you can check with local hospitals or medical schools. There may be a charge for picking up the deceased, but there are virtually no other costs connected with body donation. Medical schools reserve the right to reject the donated body, so it is wise to make alternative arrangements.

Anatomical donations — of corneas or kidneys, for example — also are vitally needed for transplant operations. All states have now adopted some form of the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act, enabling an individual to donate various parts of his or her body to research. Participants carry a wallet-sized Uniform Donor Card, filled out



**COST OF FUNERALS:** Figures in chart reflect findings of a study for 1974 of the National Funeral Directors Association on cost of adult funeral services. Findings show 80.9 per cent of all funerals selected in 1974 were for adults and that of these, costs between \$1,000 and \$1,399 were most prevalent. Only 2.5 per cent cost \$2,000 or more. (AP Wirephoto)

by the potential donor and two witnesses. Further information is available from the American Medical Association, 535 N. Dearborn, Chicago, Ill., 60605. For information on donation of corneas, write to the Eye Bank Association of America, 1111 Tulane Ave., New Orleans, La., 70112. For information on kidney donation, contact the National Kidney Foundation, 119 E. 27th St., New York, N.Y., 10010.

**NOW SEE HERE!**  
By Bert Bacharach

**ITEM FOR A LULL-IN-CONVERSATION:** "A total of 4,013,412 bottles of French champagne were imported into this country during 1976." If you are looking for a shoulder to cry on, hunt up your Pises friend (Feb. 19-Mar. 20), as these people have understanding and sympathy to share with all. Graphologists say that carefully executed words with no breaks between letters within words show a logical mind — a person who's not the type to jump from

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**TODAY In History**

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Tuesday, April 5, the 95th day of 1977. There are 270 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On this date in 1792, President George Washington used the presidential veto for the first time, refusing to sign a bill dealing with apportionment of representation.

On this date:

— In 1621, the Mayflower sailed from Plymouth, Mass., on its first return trip to England.

— In 1827, the English surgeon who founded modern antiseptic surgery, Sir Joseph Lister, was born in London.

— In 1889, the last surviving soldier of the Revolutionary War, Daniel B. Baker, died in Freedom, N.Y., at the purported age of 108.

— In 1951, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg of New York City were sentenced to death as atomic spies for the Soviet Union.

— In 1955, Prime Minister Winston Churchill, then 81, submitted his resignation to Queen Elizabeth II.

Ten years ago: Eleven people were taken into custody in West Berlin in a reported plot to kill U.S. Vice President Hubert Humphrey during a visit to the city.

Five years ago: North Vietnamese forces in South Vietnam opened a new offensive and drove within 60 miles of Saigon.

One year ago: Billionaire Howard Hughes died at the age of 70 while being flown in a chartered plane from Acapulco, Mexico, to a hospital in Houston.

Today's birthdays: Bette Davis is 80. Gregory Peck is 61.

Thought for today: "It may be true that hard work never killed anyone, but you never heard of anyone relaxing to death, either." — anonymous.

**THE QUIZ**

**worldscope**  
(10 points for each question answered correctly)

- Secretary of State Vance met with Soviet leaders in Moscow in the historic complex of buildings known as the...
- (CHOOSE ONE: Anatoli Dobrynin, Alexei Kosygin) is the Soviet Ambassador to the United States.
- Nearly 600 people died in history's worst aviation disaster, which took place in the Canary Islands, a group of Spanish islands off the coast of...
- Cuban Premier Fidel Castro said he would (CHOOSE ONE: stop, continue) sending troops and weapons to Angola.
- People connected with "Network," "Rocky," and "All the President's Men" won key awards at the... Academy Awards.

**newspicture**  
(10 points if you answer this question correctly)

This commemorative stamp marks the 50th anniversary of Charles Lindbergh's solo flight across the Atlantic. What was the name of the plane in which he made his flight?

**sportlight**  
(2 points for each question answered correctly)

- The winner of the NCAA basketball championship tournament was (CHOOSE ONE: North Carolina, Marquette).
- Canadian hockey player... broke a National Hockey League record by scoring in 23 consecutive games. The previous record was held by the Boston Bruins' Bronco Horvath.
- "Fence-off," "epee," and "foil" are terms used in what NCAA sport?
- True or false: Babe Ruth holds the career home run record.
- The 1977 NCAA hockey championship was won by the...

**matchwords**  
(4 points for each correct match)

1.....component	a-pertaining to money
2.....fiscal	b-single part of a system
3.....bureaucracy	c-middle class
4.....bourgeoisie	d-administrative organization
5.....nouveau riche	e-newly wealthy, often ostentatious

**roundtable**  
Family discussion (no score)  
What do you think is the most challenging problem young people face today?

**ANSWERS TO TODAY'S NEWS QUIZ**

1-World Trade Center; 2-Dobrynin; 3-Tenerife; 4-continue; 5-Academy Awards; 6-Marquette; 7-hockey; 8-fencing; 9-true; 10-Michigan Wolverines; 11-baseball; 12-bourgeoisie; 13-200; 14-1976; 15-Michigan Wolverines.

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# Restaurateurs Sued By Botulism Victim

**By ASSOCIATED PRESS**  
One victim in the worst outbreak of botulism in U.S. history has filed a class action suit against the owners of a restaurant where health inspectors say the poisoning originated.

The suit filed Monday by a 23-year-old nurse, Sally Coskey, asks for damages in excess of \$10,000 from the owners of Trini & Carmen's restaurant in Pontiac. The suit was filed in Oakland County Circuit Court.

Home-canned peppers used in hot sauce served at the restaurant were identified as the cause of the outbreak which by late Monday had hospitalized 35 persons. That makes it the worst such outbreak in the nation's history, the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta announced.

Meanwhile, Oakland County health director Dr. Robert

Locey said he had made no decision on when he would permit owners Trini and Carmen Martinez to reopen their restaurant.

A Michigan State University professor said it would be difficult to come up with a better vehicle for the often-deadly botulism toxin than home-canned peppers.

Dr. Ralph Costlow, professor of microbiology and public health at MSU, said he has spent 15 years researching botulism and Clostridium botulinum, the bacteria that causes the illness.

Peppers are a particularly dangerous medium, he said, because the bacteria do not grow well enough in them to produce obvious signs in the peppers, such as excessive gases, swelling or discoloration. Also, he said, the strong taste of the peppers tends to mask any "off flavor" the senses might

otherwise detect.

Enough of the deadly bacteria can grow to produce significant quantities of botulism toxin — one of the most deadly poisons known, Costlow said.

"Seven or eight ounces of the toxin could theoretically kill all of the people now living on the earth," he said. The toxin actually is a complex protein which attacks the autonomic nervous system, disrupting normal breathing and heartbeat.

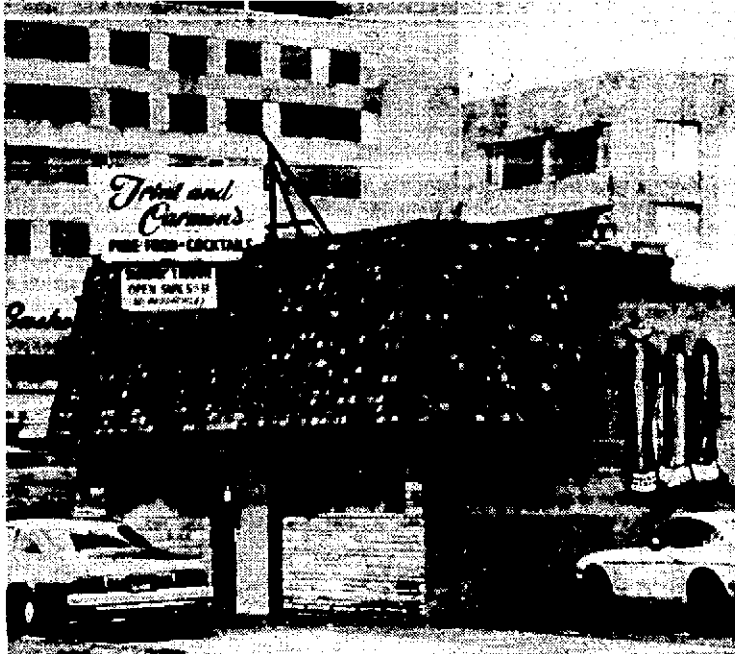
Costlow said that botulism is fatal in most untreated cases. However, recent advances in treatment with special serums and the use of respirators to assist breathing have lowered the death toll.

No deaths have occurred in the Pontiac outbreak, although three persons remain in critical but stable condition.

Clostridium botulinum is common in soil, dust and water, Costlow said, and we commonly eat fresh fruits and vegetables contaminated with bacterial spores. "But we don't often come down with botulism," he said, "because the bacteria must first produce the toxin and that won't happen unless the proper conditions arise."

First, he said, the bacteria can grow and reproduce only in an environment devoid of oxygen. There also must be enough moisture, and the growth medium cannot be too acidic.

The natural acidity of tomatoes and some fruits makes canning them safe, he said. Only by adding acid to other canned foods or by cooking them long enough at high temperatures can the growth of bacteria be prevented, he said.



**NO DECISION YET:** Health officials haven't decided yet whether to let Trini and Carmen's restaurant in Pontiac, Mich., reopen following outbreak of botulism that has felled 35 people. One victim has filed suit against the restaurant owners. (AP Wirephoto)

## Sand Hauling Permit Extended At Bridgman

**BRIDGMAN** — The Bridgman city commission last night voted to extend for three months the sand hauling permit of Manley Bros., after first voting against the extension.

The commission's change of heart on the extension came after commission members agreed to ask a representative of the firm to discuss complaints lodged against the firm over the sand hauling.

Both votes on the issue were voice votes, with four commission members in attendance in addition to Mayor Ronald Gelesko.

Complaints against the firm included removal of sand below a specified level and uncovered trucks. Also discussed was the contracted removal of sand by another firm during a recent strike against the company — an act commission members said was prohibited by city ordinance.

The firm's present permit expires April 15.

In other areas, Barger Engineering, St. Joseph, reported estimated total cost for extension of a city water main on South Red Arrow highway was \$22,400. The line would be extended 1,100 along the highway south from a Standard service station to Rambo road.

The commission announced the city planning commission will now meet twice a month, the first and third Thursdays of each month. The second meeting will be with engineers Williams and Works, Grand Rapids, to draw up a comprehensive land use plan for

the city.

City Supt. Milford Mellon reported the assessed value of all property in the city increased \$1.3 million to \$18,604,545, as determined by the board of review.

A rough draft of an ordinance providing a uniform policy on special assessments for street repair, storm drains, sanitary sewers and water main extensions was presented for study by Ronald Marchione, city attorney.

Marchione also presented for

commission study a proposed agreement between the city, the Bridgman school district and Lake township for extension of a sewer line to the new Reed Middle school.

Reappointed to the planning commission were Mildred Smith and William Willis. Douglas Geisler was named as a new member to the unit.

Joe D'Agostino was named to the city civil service board. One post on the board remains to be filled.



**MAYORAL CANDIDATES:** Incumbent Tom Bradley, left, and State Sen. Alan Robbins are the main candidates today in Los Angeles' mayoral contest. Bradley is seeking his second term. It's Robbins first try at the office. (AP Wirephoto)

## Tax Check Is Blown 100 Miles

**OLIVET, Mich. (AP)** — Fred Sampson of Olivet lost his home and almost lost his state income tax refund in a tornado that swept through Olivet Saturday.

The tornado blew Sampson's refund check 100 miles east, where it was found Monday by Ralph Koplen in the backyard of his Davison home, state police said.

Koplen notified state police in Lapeer, who notified state police headquarters in East Lansing. The police, after sending a patrol car to what was left of his home, finally found Sampson staying at a friend's house.

Police said the check soon will be headed back to Sampson, this time by U.S. mail, rather than tornado.

## Wrong Name Is Used For Supervisor

**DECATUR** — The supervisor of Hamilton township near here was incorrectly identified in an account of the township's annual meeting held Saturday.

The supervisor is Garrett Broekhuizen. The name was used in connection with a pay raise scheduled for the 1977-78 year. Broekhuizen will receive \$3,000 in the new year instead of \$2,400.

## SOLDIER KILLED

**BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP)** — Guerrillas of the Irish Republican Army set off a land mine under a British army scout car early today and killed one of the soldiers in the car, military headquarters reported.

# Baroda Budget \$33,482 Less Than Last Year

**BARODA** — The Baroda village council last night approved a 1977-78 budget totaling \$40,823. The new budget, considerably less than last year's, includes \$28,623 for general operating expenses plus \$12,300 in street funds. Last year's general fund budget was \$36,865 with a street fund of \$37,500 which included construction of the new Church street bridge.

The 1977-78 budget will be funded without any increase in village property taxes. The current village rate is seven mills.

Although the budget which contains no pay hikes for village officials, was unanimously approved, \$2,500 earmarked for equipment replacement was severely criticized by Trustee Henry Reitz.

"We've got a good truck and tractor and if they are properly maintained there will be no need for spending this money," Reitz said.

Trustee Ronald Miller said however that since the village's truck and tractor were both very old, the money should be set aside for a down payment on new equipment if a major breakdown occurs.

Also discussed during the budget's public hearing was \$1,196 slated for recubing the village's ice skating rink, removing old trees and planting new ones.

Miller said townspeople should let council members know whether they want a tennis court or an ice skating rink, but both would be virtually impossible.

In other areas, the council also installed the new Baroda planning committee which will direct the development of a comprehensive zoning ordinance.

Members of the committee are Council President Jerry Pilley, trustees Larry Nye and Ronald Miller, plus residents James Jasper, Graham Kolberg, Kenneth Matner, Francis Fleisher, Edwin Tomlinson and Peter Wolfe.

The council also heard a report from James Richardson of R. W. Petrie and Associates, Benton Harbor, regarding Baroda's plans for the Lake street bridge.

Richardson said state grants will pay for 75 per cent of construction costs. Baroda's share would be \$48,000, and would include 25 per cent of construction costs, and all legal, fiscal, engineering and design costs.

According to Richardson, Baroda could sell bonds to raise the money and pay them back without raising village taxes by using funds received from the state for major roads each year.

Pilley made it clear that if bonds were to be sold it would have to be approved of by a public vote.

Pilley announced the resignation of Emil Streffling of Streffling Real Estate as appraiser for all HUD demolition projects.

The council then approved a new contract with R. Raymond Benton of Findling and Associates, Inc., as the new appraiser.



**HIS VIEW:** Yale University President Kingman Brewster Jr. said in an interview in New Haven, Conn., Monday that the U.S. Supreme court should be asked to decide what conditions Congress can tie to federal aid to private universities. According to U.S. Senate sources Brewster is to be nominated as ambassador to Great Britain. (AP Wirephoto)

## BH, Benton Smashups Hurt Two

**Herbert R. Trapp, 58, of Bridgman, sustained bruises and a cut on the hip in a two-car accident about 8:45 a.m. Monday, Benton township police said.**

Trapp was treated and released at Memorial hospital, St. Joseph. The car Trapp was driving collided with a car driven by Ella M. Davis, 21, of 1729 Council drive, Benton township, on East Napier, west of I-94, police said. Trapp was ticketed for failure to stop in an assured clear distance, police said.

Benton Harbor police said William W. Werer, 18, of Decatur, sustained apparently minor injuries in a two-car crash about 6:45 p.m. Monday.

Mercy hospital officials said Werer was treated and released. A car driven by Werer collided with a car driven by Helen J. Haynes, 22, of 755 McAllister avenue, Benton Harbor, on North Fair avenue, police said. No tickets were issued, police reported.

## Purse Snatcher Fires Three Shots At Pursuer

A purse-snatcher escaped with \$590 after firing three shots at a man who pursued him from the 300 block of East Main street Monday afternoon, Benton Harbor police reported.

Police said the purse was

snatched from Mrs. Ollie Honnall as she walked with her husband, Millner. The purse contained cash from a federal income tax refund check the couple had cashed earlier.

Gary Ervin, 24, was standing in the driveway of a service station and saw the theft. Ervin got in his van and chased the man who fired three shots from a pistol when Ervin was getting out of the van, according to the police report.

Police said Ervin and the van were not hit. The purse-snatcher fled up Brunson hill toward Church street.

Ervin is employed at Downtown 66, 310 East Main. The Honnolls live on Midway drive, Benton township, according to the police report.

Only a vague description of the purse-snatcher was obtained, police said. The robbery was reported at 1:30 p.m.

At about the same time, Benton Harbor police were called to Empire Launderers and Cleaners, 190 West Empire avenue, on report of a strong-arm robbery.

Opal Slattery, 68, a clerk, told police a man forced her to the

floor while two other men took \$53 from the cash drawer. She said the men had been in the cleaners about 20 minutes before the robbery occurred and left clothes to be repaired under a false name.

She was not injured. Police said the three men drove away in a yellow sedan which may have had California license plates. One of the bandits reportedly wore a green ski mask.

## CB Radios Missing

Thefts of two CB radios were reported Monday to Benton Harbor police and Berrien sheriff's offices.

Judy Root, Hartford, told Benton Harbor police a CB radio was taken from her car while it was in a lot off the 100 block of West Main street. James Olmsted, Forest Beach road, Watervliet township, reported to sheriff's officers a CB radio was stolen from his car while parked at his home.

## Ford Spending Week At U-M

**AN ARBOR, Mich. (AP)** — Former President Gerald Ford jetted Monday to the University of Michigan where he will spend the week lecturing and inspecting plans for a presidential library at his alma mater. Sometime during a busy week in his new role of guest lecturer in political science, Ford plans to take time out to watch spring football practice. He will teach 10 political science classes.

Ford jetted from Palm Springs, Calif., to Willow Run airport in Michigan, arriving in cold drizzle and blinding fog. The former President will stay at the home of U-M President Obba Fleming, who said Ford has taken on a busy schedule since leaving the White House in January. "The first time I ever talked to him about it he said 'Hell, I can't play golf all the time,'" Fleming reported.

Ford's only public appearance will be a speech before an American Cancer Society meeting later in the week. His wife, Betty, had been scheduled to make the speech but was reported ill. Special guests and students enrolled in the political science classes will be the only persons allowed to attend Ford's lectures, a university spokesman said.

The former president also was scheduled to hold private meetings with university officials, Michigan friends and former campaign workers. It was the first visit by Ford to his home state since he lost the 1976 presidential election to Democrat Jimmy Carter. Ford was a football player and co-captain of the Michigan team in the 1930s. He received a degree from the university's College of Literature, Science and the Arts in 1935 and attended the U-M Law School during one summer.



**VISITING PROFESSOR:** An aide carries umbrella as former President Gerald R. Ford left his plane at Willow Run Airport in Ypsilanti Monday. The 63-year-old Ford, who now lives in Palm Springs, Calif., will teach 10 classes at nearby University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. (AP Wirephoto)

## Assistance Plan Outlined At Br. Springs Hearing

**BERRIEN SPRINGS** — The Berrien Springs village council last night held the final required public hearing on an application for a \$240,000 grant in federal community development funds.

Included in the fund application is a housing assistance plan required of each community

seeking community development funds.

The assistance plan outlined by Leslie Cripps, of Cripps and Associates, Berrien Springs, last night showed a one-year goal of beginning construction of up to 25 new rental units for senior citizens, rent subsidy assistance to five families, and rehabilitation assistance to 14 home owners or prospective homeowners. A three-year goal included construction completion of the 25 rental units for senior citizens, rent subsidy assistance for 20 renters and rehabilitation assistance to 40 homeowners or prospective homeowners.

The final application for the community development grant is to be submitted by April 22.

Glen Leach, 216 Kimber lane, requested that the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lee, 604 North Cass street, be considered for a rehabilitation assistance grant. The council promised to consider his request if the village receives grant approval.

Village president Edgar Kesterke reported that a used electric generator has been

purchased from Miller Equipment Co. Grand Rapids, for \$5,500. A trailer is being built to make the generator portable for use as an emergency back-up unit to pump water and to run the wastewater treatment plant.

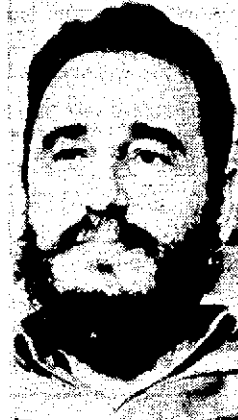
Purchase of the generator was approved at the March 21st meeting.

The council took no official action last night because of a lack of a quorum.

## Blue 1972 Pontiac Sought In Death

**ALLEGAN** — Allegan county sheriff's deputies here said today they are looking for a 1972 blue Pontiac in connection with a hit and run accident that killed a Saugatuck woman late last week north of Saugatuck. Deputies said pieces of a turn signal light lens and paint chips found at the scene of the accident were examined at the state police crime laboratory in Holland where it was determined what kind of car was involved. The metallic blue car should have damage to the right fender and a missing turn signal lens, deputies said.

The accident killed Mrs. Muriel Collins, 45, Saugatuck as she was walking along Blue Star highway Thursday night. Police here asked that anyone having information about the accident or car to contact the sheriff's office.



**KIFT:** Zaire government broke relations Monday with government of Cuban Premier Fidel Castro, above, because of Cuba's alleged backing of Angola-based rebel invasion of Shaba Province. Zaire government radio said documents proving Cuban involvement in the invasion were found on an unnamed Cuban diplomat. (AP Wirephoto)

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# Covert Will Vote On Lowered School Tax

**COVERT** — Covert voters will be asked to approve a 15.5 mill property tax levy for school operations for a period of five years in the annual school election June 13. The Covert school board approved putting the measure on the ballot last night by a 5 to 1 vote during a special meeting.

If approved by the voters, the 15.5 mill rate would be a half mill less than the current 16 mill rate which expires with the next tax collection, but it would raise more money because of an expected large boost in the district's property valuation.

The new rate would raise a projected \$322,288 a year, compared to the \$27,035 raised by the 16-mill issue in the 1976-77 year. The new rate would be based on a projected the state equalized value of about \$57 million. The 1976 equalized valuation was \$40 million.

The boost would come from added taxable value at the multi-million dollar Palisades nuclear power plant located in the school district and Covert township.

The decision to lower the operational millage levy was closely

linked to a letter from Covert township Supervisor Jerry Sarno announcing that the district stands to receive a comparative tax windfall because of the increase in its SEV.

Sarno said in the letter the increase would be about \$16 million and push the district SEV for 1977 to, the \$57 million figure. In terms of taxes, this would raise \$1,978,894 or \$633,898 more (a 47 per cent increase) than this school year, he said, based on the district's total tax rate of 34.33 mills. Board member Bernard Lucas said that in the long run the five-year proposal would work to the school's advantage. With a lowered property tax levy, voters should be more inclined to approve a millage of the longer five-year duration, he said. The school board will then be able to avoid having to go back to the voters every year or two to renew operational millage, he added. This in turn, Lucas said, will be an aid in future budget planning.

The decision to seek the lowered millage came as the board

considered a rough draft of a 1977-78 budget calling for expenditures of \$1,478,841, or \$174,898 more than the current budget. Board member Carl Grigori, who voted against placing the millage proposal on the ballot, said after the meeting that he felt there was too much "fat" in the proposed budget. He said he was opposed to the long-term millage levy, because in future years, the board should be able to cut the millage rate.

"It would tie up too much money over a long period," he said. Voting in favor were Donald Quinn, Alice Blair, Lucas, Harold Bracken, and the Rev. L.C. Berry.

Quinn suggested that the \$133,886 surplus expected because of the windfall, plus any other money the district is able to save in the next few years be put away in expectation of the closing of Consumers Power company's Palisades nuclear plant. Quinn said the company has announced it plans to close the plant for a year about 1989 for a major overhaul.

The majority of the district's tax revenue comes from the

Palisades plant.

Major items in the proposed 1977-78 budget, with current figures in parentheses, include: secondary instruction \$426,388 (\$373,413); elementary instruction \$334,101 (\$313,447); Title I \$53,483 (same); Title I carryover \$26,467 (same); special education \$22,178 (\$21,178); driver education \$4,500 (same); administration \$53,616 (\$52,478); maintenance and operation \$236,825 (\$198,984); transportation \$81,102 (\$82,737); fixed charges \$100,678 (\$147,463); and transfers \$43,963 (\$33,463).

The board is expected to act on the budget at its next regular meeting.

In another area, the board instructed high school Principal John Young to investigate the possibility of dropping the 50 cent fee charged adults to use the high school pool two nights per week. Any free admission policy would apply only to adults living in the school district, the board said.

# Milliken Will Go After Aid For Ravaged Towns

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — After a tour of tornado-ravaged Augusta and Comstock, Gov. William Milliken said Monday he will seek federal disaster aid for the communities.

Milliken called the damage from Saturday's twisters "very

bad ... almost unbelievable. It's a miracle that lives were not lost in this area."

He said updated damage estimates from state police put the figure at \$4.5 million in Eaton, Clinton and Kalamazoo counties. He said the cleanup

operation is well underway.

State police said damage figures included \$3 million to private property, about \$1 million to farms, and \$200,000 to public property.

The governor made a walking tour of 10 heavily damaged

blocks of Augusta and toured the Comstock area, then flew over an area north of Olivet also struck by a tornado Saturday.

He talked with persons who lost their homes in the twisters, including a mother of four children who lost her home and her car.

Milliken said that since most of the damage was to private residences, the primary source of aid would probably be low-interest loans to homeowners from the Small Business Administration.

A formal request for federal aid will be made in a day or two after damage inventories are made, he said.

State police said a Flint boy was killed Saturday when the vehicle in which he was riding was picked up by the tornado and thrown into a wooded area off Interstate 69 south of Charlotte. A man was electrocuted Sunday by a fallen power line while cleaning debris from a yard.

Sixty persons were injured by the twister and 165 homes were either destroyed or damaged.



**FIRSTHAND VIEW:** Gov. William Milliken goes on walking tour Monday of Augusta, Mich., hard-hit by weekend tornado. Accompanying him are State Rep.

Donald Gilmer, left, and village president Richard McGee, right. (AP Wirephoto)



**STRANGE PROTEST:** Members of the Great Lakes Life Community from East Lansing, Mich., dressed up as characters to make a point about their feelings on the amount of tax dollars spent for war related purposes at the State Capital Monday. "Uncle Sam" (Steven Senesi) cuts up a piece of pie which represents tax expenditures and both "The General" (Kathy Burne) and "The Spector of Death" (Judy O'Sullivan) got the main share. (AP Wirephoto)

# Legionnaire-Type Organism Found

By DONALD WOUTAT Associated Press Writer

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — An organism similar to the bacterium which caused the Legionnaires disease outbreak last year in Philadelphia has been identified in Michigan, state health officials said today.

The organism was isolated from the chest fluid of a 39-year-old woman who died last December of pneumonia, the department said. Its similarity to the Philadelphia organism was established by the federal Center for Disease Control (CDC) in Atlanta.

State epidemiologists investigating the disease said they could find no link between the Michigan case and the Philadelphia outbreak but agreed the organisms are similar.

Dr. Bertina Wentworth, chief of the diagnostic division of the state Health Department's bureau of disease control, said the organism isolated in Flint is "probably" the same as the so-called Legionnaires organism.

"The CDC said it looked like and grew like the other organism did," Wentworth said. "But it's extremely difficult in early studies to say one organism is identical to another."

No further cases were found among the family or relatives of the victim and no related illness has occurred in laboratory personnel handling the organism,

the department said.

"Since three months have now elapsed, the organism appears to have been limited to the one case and there would seem to be no danger to public health," a spokesman said.

The victim was not identified. The organism was isolated by the McLaren General Hospital laboratory in Flint and sent to the state health laboratory for study.

The state Department of Public Health asked all licensed microbiology laboratories to be alert for the possibility of the organism in any specimens of pleural fluid that surrounds lungs, lung biopsy or post mortem tissue for pneumonia cases. The organism grows only in special laboratory environments.

If any such organisms are found, the laboratories have been asked to send them immediately to the state health laboratory where a special test is being set up to provide quick identification of similar organisms.

The disease which struck Philadelphia last July killed 29 people and sickened 151. All were people associated with an American Legion convention held at the Bellevue Stratford Hotel in downtown Philadelphia.

The organism was identified by the CDC months later. The

hotel was forced to close because publicity about the outbreak frightened away potential guests.

Dr. Wentworth said the organism was isolated by the Flint hospital in early January during a routine review of the woman's death. The lab was unable to identify the bacterium and sent it to state officials in February, she said.

State epidemiologists had the same problem and sent it to the CDC the first week in March. Two weeks later the CDC notified state officials of the possibility it was Legionnaires disease, and Friday confirmed the tentative finding, Dr. Wentworth said.

Dr. Wentworth said it wasn't disclosed until today because "people have been pretty tied up with botulism," referring to the country's worst botulism outbreak in history last week in Pontiac, Mich.

State epidemiologists met with the woman's family and relatives but turned up no evidence she had traveled to Pennsylvania or had any contact with legionnaires or others connected with the disease.

And Flint area hospitals have found no comparable organisms in biopsies of other patients, Dr. Wentworth said.

She said the woman had a long history of a serious disease, lupus erythematosus, and death was officially caused by pneumonia. The role played by the isolated organism in the victim's death is uncertain, she said.

Because of the woman's long illness, her activities in the months before her death were limited, but she did go Christmas shopping shortly before her hospitalization in December, Dr. Wentworth said.

"Her husband felt that she shouldn't have gone Christmas shopping and tired herself out," she said.

# TWO ACCUSED IN VAN BUREN Separate Arson Trials Ordered

By DENNIS COGSWELL Paw Paw Bureau

PAW PAW — Judge Meyer Warshawsky granted a defense motion in Van Buren circuit court Monday giving separate trials to two men charged with the 1974 arson of a South Haven lumber yard.

Atty. John Szymanski of Bangor made the motion on behalf of Duane Thompson, who with co-defendant David Bowden had been convicted of a charge of arson by a circuit court jury in 1975.

Both men were subsequently sentenced to five to 10 year prison terms. But last June, the

## Jobs Filled At Decatur

DECATUR — Village President Blaine Rex last night named 1977 village council committee members and village department heads.

Named were: Lyle Overton as village president pro tem; Max Graham, superintendent of public works; Dale Avery, superintendent of the sewer and water department; Eleanor Smith, chairman, and Donald Wickert, member of the police and fire committee; Overton as chairman and Carl Keyes, member of the water and sewer committee; Warren Grosvenor as village attorney; Byron Ives as police chief; Donald Adams as assistant chief; and John Brigham as fire chief.

The appointments, confirmed by the council, came during the council's annual reorganization meeting.

In other action, the council sold a used, 1974 Dodge police car to village Patrolman Donald Adams, whose \$315 bid was highest of two bids. The low bid was \$10 from Robert Wellman.

The council also approved federal grants to three people for housing rehabilitation. The grants went to Dorrie Lou Knoll, East St. Mary, \$3,899; Dorothy Makay, North George, \$4,815; and Elmer Wolfe, East Sherwood, \$4,578.

The council also gave permission to the Decatur Lions club for a "White Cane Sale April 25 to May 1, and the American Legion auxiliary for a poppy sale May 26-28.

state appeals court reversed the convictions and remanded the cases back to trial, ruling the trial judge had erred in his instructions to the jury.

Szymanski argued yesterday that separate trials were needed so as to not prejudice either defendant. He said when the two men were originally tried together, there were several instances of testimony that was relevant to Bowden, but not Thompson.

Bowden and Thompson, both of South Haven, were convicted of setting fire to the Lappo Lumber company, South Haven township, on Nov. 20, 1974, causing an estimated \$500,000 damage.

In other cases, the following people were sentenced as a result of earlier guilty pleas:

Charles Lewis, 19, route 2, Eau Claire, 45 days in jail, one year probation, and \$100 fine on a charge of attempted larceny from a building, tools from a pole building in Sister Lakes on Nov. 10, 1975.

Dennis Versluis, 20, Paw Paw, 75 days in jail, with 63 days credit, one year probation, and \$100 fine on a charge of

larceny in a building, liquor from the LaCantina restaurant, Paw Paw, last Dec. 31.

Jack Hamblen, 39, DesPlaines, Ill., six months in jail on a charge of attempting to abscond on a \$1,500 bond. The bond was furnished when Hamblen was arrested on a narcotics charge in 1970 in Hartford.

In arraignments, Rickey Glen Jackson, 23, route 2, Watervliet, pleaded innocent to a charge of larceny in a building, cigarettes from Miller's Supermarket, Keeler township, on March 8.

Larry E. Mackerel, 39, also known as Larry Stone, Box 133, Bangor, pleaded innocent to a charge of concealing stolen property, a 1973 Cadillac, in South Haven Feb. 16.

Donald L. Field, 19, Paw Paw, pleaded guilty to a charge of attempted malicious destruction of property, a window at Stimac's Nursery, Paw Paw, valued at \$25, last Sept. 20.

Sidney Adkins, 59, 316 West Arlington, Bangor, pleaded guilty to a charge of attempting to carry a concealed weapon, a .22-caliber revolver, March 8 in

Bangor. Two Decatur men, Paul Chamness, 27, route 1, 46th street, and Gilbert C. Koehne, 36, 108 Pine, pleaded innocent to charges of carrying a concealed weapon, a .38-caliber revolver,

in a car near Paw Paw March 16. Robert White, 35, Kalamazoo, pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny in a building, frozen food from an Almira township home last Nov. 12.



**FIRST AID:** Timothy Ripley administers artificial resuscitation to a doll during a "First Aid for Little People" session held recently for first graders at Harriet Bishop elementary school in Rochester, Minn. (AP Wirephoto)

# Man Asks Hearing On Resisting Count

PAW PAW — A Hartford man who allegedly tussled with Lawrence police early Sunday morning when they tried to arrest him on a drunk driving charge was arraigned Monday in Seventh district court.

Ronald D. Schmalkfeldt, 19, route 2, 72nd street, demanded preliminary examination on a charge of resisting arrest and pleaded innocent to a charge of driving under the influence of intoxicants. He was released on his own recognizance pending an April 15 hearing.

Police said the alleged altercation started after they had stopped a car about 3 a.m. which was driving erratically. They said the driver assaulted officers when they attempted to take him into custody.

In other cases, Jim Hunter, Jr., 38, Detroit, demanded preliminary examination on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon, a .45-caliber automatic, in a semi-truck on I-94 near Mattawan Sunday. Bond was set at \$1,500 and the hearing for April 15.

Wade K. Garner, 33, Detroit, demanded preliminary examination on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon, and pleaded innocent to charges of transporting open intoxicants and driving on a suspended license.

State police at Paw Paw said the arrest occurred Sunday after they had stopped a car for speeding near Mattawan. Troopers said an open bottle of whiskey and .25-caliber pistol were found during a search.

## PBB Bill In Senate

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — A controversial PBB bill that passed the House last week is officially in the Senate after no effort was made Monday to reconsider the measure. State Rep. Quincy Hoffman, R-Applegate, had moved after Thursday's lopsided approval to take it up again. But he made no such motion during Monday night's session, so it automatically went to the upper chamber.

The bill sponsored by Rep. Francis Spaniolis, D-Corunna, would drastically lower the level of PBB, polybrominated biphenyl, allowed in Michigan food and reimburse farmers for livestock destroyed under the lower level.





# NEWS OF MARKETS

## Market Slide Continues

NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market posted a broad loss today, continuing the slide that set in on Monday.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials dropped more than 2 points in early trading.

Losers took a 3-1 lead over gainers among New York Stock Exchange-listed issues.

Analysts said the market continued to suffer from inflation worries. They also noted that Monday's setback to a new 14-month low in the Dow after a short-lived rally late last week had discouraged investors.

Today's early prices included General Motors, down 1/4 at 66 1/2; Gulf Oil, off 1/4 at 28; Ampex, steady at 8 1/2; and Duke Power, up 1/4 at 20 1/4.

On Monday the Dow Jones industrial average fell 11.80 to 915.56, its lowest close since it finished at 912.94 Jan. 13, 1976.

It was the Dow's largest loss since it gave up 11.88 points on Jan. 4 of this year.

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**The Market in Brief**  
NY Stock Exchange Issues  
Monday, April 4

**UP**  
442

**DOWN**  
934

**ISSUES TRADED**  
1,078

**VOLUME**  
19,660,640  
SHARES

**N.Y.S.E. Index** 53.45 - 0.45  
**S. & P. Comp.** 98.23 - 1.50  
**Dow Jones Ind.** 915.56 - 11.80

**SLOW FALL:** Prices fell Monday on stock market in a slow, steady decline that left Dow Jones industrial average at its lowest level in nearly 15 months. Average fell 11.80 points to 915.56, lowest closing since Jan. 13, 1976. Monday's news included negative note about inflation, and analysts pointed to widespread disappointment at recent showing of the market itself. Volume hit 16.25 million shares Monday, down from 17.63 million Friday. (AP Wirephoto)

## New Pact Ratified At Niles Plant

NILES — Hourly wage earners at Garden City Fan Co. here have ratified a new, three-year contract, according to George Bauer, president of the firm.

Bauer said the new contract, covering 98 hourly employees, replaces a two-year pact that expired April 1. Workers ratified the new agreement by over a two-to-one margin Saturday.

Provisions of the new agreement with local 8086 of the United Steel Workers call for a \$1 hourly wage hike spread across three years, and a seven-cent maximum on quarterly cost of living adjustments, Bauer added. Also included are improved vacation and insurance benefits.

A profit sharing pension plan has been replaced with a fixed cost pension program as well, Bauer added.

The firm's plant is located at 1701 Terminal road, Niles.

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Paw Paw — Alfred Gillett.

## New York Stocks

As quoted by  
WM. C. RONEY & CO., 665 W. MAIN, B.H.

1977	High	Low	Yesterday's Close	1977	High	Low	Yesterday's Close
38 1/2	39 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	Alcoa	35 1/2	36 1/2	35 1/2
47 1/2	48 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2	Allied Chem	42 1/2	43 1/2	42 1/2
38 1/2	39 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	Am Can	34 1/2	35 1/2	34 1/2
25 1/2	26 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	Am Elec Power	23 1/2	24 1/2	23 1/2
54 1/2	55 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	Am Motors	3 1/2	4 1/2	3 1/2
65 1/2	66 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2	Am Tel & Tel	62 1/2	63 1/2	62 1/2
46 1/2	47 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	Am Brands	43 1/2	44 1/2	43 1/2
22 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	A.M.F.	20 1/2	21 1/2	20 1/2
50 1/2	51 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2	Atlanta Richfield	52 1/2	53 1/2	52 1/2
13 1/2	14 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	Avco	13 1/2	14 1/2	13 1/2
21 1/2	22 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	Bell Corp.	17 1/2	18 1/2	17 1/2
46 1/2	47 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	Boeing	24 1/2	25 1/2	24 1/2
41 1/2	42 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	Brunswick	15 1/2	16 1/2	15 1/2
17 1/2	18 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	Burroughs	10 1/2	11 1/2	10 1/2
91 1/2	92 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2	Chrysler	40 1/2	41 1/2	40 1/2
41 1/2	42 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	Chrysler Systems	18 1/2	19 1/2	18 1/2
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61 1/2	62 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2	Consolidated	21 1/2	22 1/2	21 1/2
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37 1/2	38 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2	Cont'l Group Inc.	70 1/2	71 1/2	70 1/2
14 1/2	15 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	Curtis Burns A	13 1/2	14 1/2	13 1/2
43 1/2	44 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	Dow Chem	37 1/2	38 1/2	37 1/2
125 1/2	126 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2	Du Pont	123 1/2	124 1/2	123 1/2
30 1/2	31 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2	East Kod	67 1/2	68 1/2	67 1/2
30 1/2	31 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2	Exxon	30 1/2	31 1/2	30 1/2
25 1/2	26 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	Ford Mot	34 1/2	35 1/2	34 1/2
56 1/2	57 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2	Gen Elec	36 1/2	37 1/2	36 1/2
61 1/2	62 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2	Gen Fds	31 1/2	32 1/2	31 1/2
34 1/2	35 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	General Mills	28 1/2	29 1/2	28 1/2
70 1/2	71 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2	Gen Motors	28 1/2	29 1/2	28 1/2
31 1/2	32 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	Gen Tel & Elec	26 1/2	27 1/2	26 1/2
26 1/2	27 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	Gen Tire	26 1/2	27 1/2	26 1/2
26 1/2	27 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	Gillette	27 1/2	28 1/2	27 1/2
23 1/2	24 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	Goodyear	19 1/2	20 1/2	19 1/2
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## LOCAL LISTED SECURITIES

Supplied by  
FIRST OF MICHIGAN CORPORATION, 810 Ship St., St. Joe.

	1977		Yesterday's
	High	Low	Close
American Metals-Climax	50 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
Bendix Corp	47 1/2	46 1/2	45 1/2
Clark Equip	40 1/2	39 1/2	37 1/2
Consolidated Foods	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2
Hoover Ball and Bearing Co	24 1/2	24 1/2	23 1/2
Hammermill Paper	25 1/2	24 1/2	23 1/2
Haves-Albon Corp	19 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
Koezing	17 1/2	17 1/2	16 1/2
Mich Gas Utilities	17 1/2	17 1/2	15 1/2
National Standard	30 1/2	30 1/2	27 1/2
Pet, Inc.	32 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
Schlumberger	67 1/2	56 1/2	59 1/2
Whirlpool Corp	27 1/2	24 1/2	22 1/2
Wicks Corp	14 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2

## Appoint Whiteman BUW Division Head

Richard W. Whiteman, executive vice president of Farmers and Merchants National Bank, has been named chairman of the Major Firms "B" division in the 1977 Bloomington United Way campaign.

Announcement was made by James Murphy, general chairman, who said the division consists of approximately 60 firms in the BUW area employing 50 to 150 people.

Last year Major Firms "B" attained 103.3 per cent of goal. Whiteman said he will recruit four team captains to organize the sections of the division.

Whiteman joined Farmers and Merchants National Bank in 1976. He previously served as vice president in the Commercial Loan Department of the Continental Illinois National Bank, Chicago.

He is a director of the Economic Development Corporation of Benton Harbor and the Advisory Council on Small



RICHARD W. WHITEMAN

## Lansing Hotel Given Federal Mortgage Loan

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — The federal government has agreed to loan a financially troubled downtown hotel \$650,000 to pay off its second mortgage.

A South Carolina firm is expected to buy the Olds Plaza Hotel's first mortgage of \$1.3 million. Combined with the federal assistance, the money should keep the hotel from closing, officials said.

The Olds, formerly the Jack Tar, is across the street from the state Capitol and has long served as a residence, eating and drinking spot for lawmakers, lobbyists, state employees and reporters. In the past few years, however, the hotel has had financial troubles and appeared about to go out of business.

The Olds Plaza is expected to get the money April 21 from the federal Economic Development Administration.

## LOCAL GRAIN

**BUCHANAN CO-OP**  
**BUCHANAN, MI.**  
New Soybeans, \$6.00 down 8c  
No. 1 Soybeans, \$8.63 down 2c  
New Wheat, \$2.20 down 8c  
No. 2 Barley, \$1.54 steady  
No. 2 Ear Corn, \$2.15 down 2c  
New Corn, \$2.18 down 3c  
No. 2 Shelled Corn, \$2.20 down 2c  
No. 2 Wheat, \$2.26 down 7c  
These are the markets as of this morning — prior to the opening of the Chicago Board of Trade.

## Dowagiac Publisher Appointed

DOWAGIAC, Mich. (AP) — David J. Lanford has been named publisher of the Dowagiac Daily News, succeeding Irene Brosnan who resigned effective Monday.

The announcement was made by Les Daughtry of Galveston, Tex., president of Niles Newspapers, Inc., owners of the Daily News.

"I accepted Irene Brosnan's resignation with deep regret as I have enjoyed our association these past few months," Daughtry said. "It was my hope she would continue under the ownership changes which were made earlier this year. However she has my sincere appreciation for her dedication and hard work."

Lanford, 30, is a native of Minneapolis and began his newspaper career as printer apprentice at St. Paul Pioneer Press Dispatch. He holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Minnesota.

His newspaper management training began at the Grand Forks (N.D.) Herald in 1971, where he was an executive management trainee for Ridder Publications, working in the advertising, editorial and circulation departments.

In 1973, Lanford transferred to The Gary (Ind.) Post Tribune, another Knight-Ridder paper, where he later became assistant to the general manager.

Last November he was named general manager of Niles Newspapers, Inc., which includes the Niles, Mich. Daily Star, Cassopolis Vigilant, Edwardsburg Argus, a shopping guide The Leader, and the Niles Printing Co. The firm purchased the Dowagiac Daily News this January.

Lanford and his wife Mary live in Niles and plan to move to Dowagiac.

## Corp. Officers Get Break

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Officers of a corporation cannot be held criminally liable for the firm's failure to file a withholding return and pay city income taxes, the state Court of Appeals has ruled.

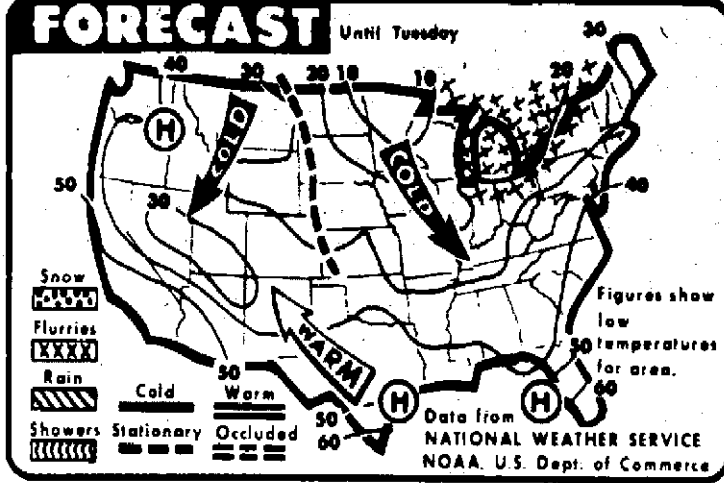
The court said, however, that corporate officers can be criminally charged with refusing or attempting to block a city's request to examine the firm's books and records.

The court reversed the conviction of a secretary of a now-defunct corporation which did business in Detroit. The city had filed suit against the firm, Muzzin & Vincent Inc., after it failed to pay taxes.

The woman, Rose Barzowski, was convicted of failure to file a tax return for the third quarter of 1971 and failure to pay the tax for the last half of the year.

The firm pleaded no contest to the charges.

But the court said the only penalties set in law for corporate officers dealt with permitting access to the firm's records. It said corporate officers cannot be held criminally responsible for violations of the tax law itself.



**TODAY'S WEATHER MAP:** Snow flurries are forecast today for the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Valley. Cold weather is expected for most of the country. Warm weather is forecast for the Southwest. (AP Wirephoto)

## Memorial Hospital

**ADMISSIONS**  
St. Joseph — J. Mark Stuber, 2811 Veronica drive.  
Benton Harbor — Lisa E. Allen, 1079 Hurd; Freddie Ballocks, 1237 McAllister; Johnnie Burch, Jr., 1076 Hurd; Mrs. Percy W. Cannon, 1034 Highland avenue; Jimmy L. Edwards, 232 Bellview, apt. 3; Mrs. Willie Frazier, 386 Waverly; Ruth L. Seaman, 245 Clardelle; Hurlis Williamson, 7597 East Napier avenue.  
Berrien Springs — Grover Kugel, route 1, Box 368.  
Galen — Adolph Hartert, route 1.  
**BIRTHS**  
St. Joseph — A boy weighing 8 pounds, 3 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. James A. Dent, 1790 Trafalgar drive, Monday at 7:30 a.m.  
Benton Harbor — A girl weighing 7 pounds, 7 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. James M. Caudill, 279 Chippewa, Monday at 7:36 a.m.  
Galen — A boy weighing 6 pounds, 2 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred L. Parker, route 1, Box 381, Monday at 2:40 a.m.  
Stevensville — A boy weighing 9 pounds, 11 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Pazder, route 2, Box 430, Cleveland avenue, Monday at 8:29 a.m.

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## Mercy Hospital

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Patients admitted to Mercy hospital during the past 24 hours include:  
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St. Joseph — Herman Frederick, 1322 Wolcott; Mrs. Donald Kimball, 4201 Bacon school road; Mrs. Archie Tellett, 817 Michigan.  
Bridgman — Charles Wright, 9786 Vineyard.  
Colonia — Charles Bishop, 4461 Wilson road; Mrs. Demarius Johnson, 8127 Little Paw Paw Lake road.  
Dowagiac — Peggy Brosnan, route 5.  
Hartford — Harriet Liles, Box 275.  
Stevensville — David Schaub, 5887 George.  
Three Oaks — George Payne, route 1, Box 174-A.  
Watervliet — Mrs. Cuba Thomas, route 1, Box 1105.

## Berrien General

**ADMISSIONS**  
BERRIEN CENTER — Patients admitted to Berrien General hospital during the past 24 hours include:  
Berrien Center — Mrs. Rose Petro, route 1, Box 163, Smith road.  
Benton Harbor — Mrs. Dolly Shoemaker, 1219 Summer court; Baroda — Joanna Adams, route 1, Box 114-A.  
Berrien Springs — James Harper, 104 E. Lincoln road.  
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Bangor — Mrs. Wyley Higgenbottom, 514 Railroad.  
Colonia — Tonya Ricketts, 357 North West street.  
Covert — Moses Williams, P.O. Box 309.  
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